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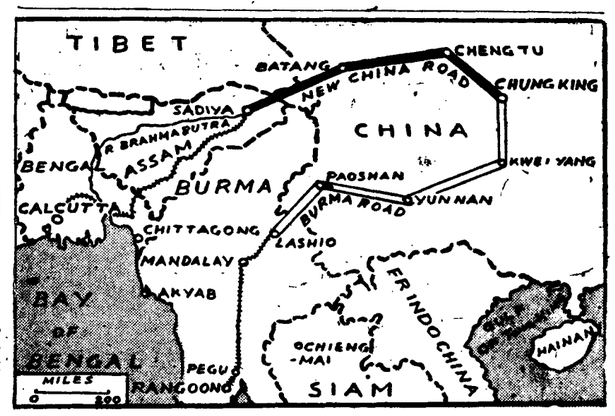
# INDIAN DIVISION ENTERS MANDALAY

## Chinese Capture New Lashio

### Entire Burma Road In Allied Hands Again

NEAR MANDALAY, March 8.

General Rees, Commander of the 19th Indian Division, has announced that his troops have entered Mandalay and are fighting in Obo, a northern suburb about 2,000 yards from Fort Dufferin, the centre of the town, cables Don O'Beirne, A. P. I. war correspondent.




**UNPREDICTABLE COMMANDER**

General Rees is the most unpredictable and at the same time the most forceful thrusting Commander in Burma. The man who pushed across North Burma from the Chindwin to Katha before Christmas along Wingate's routes, General Rees was also the first across the Irrawaddy in mid January.

Always in the forefront of his men he has on many occasions led forward patrols to objectives.

The final battle for Mandalay has begun, writes the correspondent in a later dispatch.

The 19th Indian Division swept the Japanese before it in a headlong retreat. Until now it is on the outskirts of the city itself. Many Japanese have been by-passed in the course of the advance but they are being dealt with by the division gradually.

The advance already seems to have had a big effect on the Japanese fighting in the northern combat area for recently they appear to have been withdrawing from the Burma Road area.

**Lashio Falls**

A Press Note issued from the Headquarters of the United States Forces, India-Burma Theatre, says:—Chinese First Army troops, part of Lt.-Gen. Dan I. Sultan's Northern Combat Command, March 7, captured Lashio, the most important town in east Central Burma. After taking Old Lashio and the airfield earlier in the day, Lt.-Gen. Sun Li-Jen's First Army troops continued right on into New Lashio and completely cleared the town.

The Japs attempted to hold the Chinese with artillery fire but counter battery fire shortly knocked out the enemy pieces and infantry moved in to clean up any remaining Japs in the town.

The Lashio area is now clear. Six short weeks after the Ledo Road was opened the remaining 105 miles of the Burma Road south to Lashio has been cleared. Lashio assumed its importance as a hub in the only supply route to China after the Japs had cut the China coast. Supplies were shipped to Rangoon, then by railroad 561 miles north through Mandalay and north-east to Lashio. Here materials were transhipped to trucks and up the all weather Burma Road into China.

The lightning drive south to Lashio is somewhat reminiscent of the manner in which Lashio was taken by the Japs 35 months ago. Once again the whole Burma Road, Lashio to Kunming is now in Allied hands.

**MADAYA CAPTURED**

To-day's SEAC 'communique' adds: FOURTEENTH ARMY: Troops of the Nineteenth Indian Division have captured Madaya, 14 miles north of Mandalay, and advanced swiftly to the northern outskirts of Mandalay. Onhmin, north-east of Madaya, has also been occupied.

The toll of enemy dead in the Meiktila operations has now risen to 3,000. Active patrolling continues.—A. P.

## Nippon Fears Invasion

### Japs Feel Real War Has Only Just Started

LONDON, March 8: The Japanese newspaper, "Asahi Shimbun", today forecast American landings on Japanese home islands in the "not distant future".

Taking the phrasing of one of Mr. Churchill's famous statements the paper added: "The Japanese will fight on the seas, on the beaches and on the land", the Tokyo radio reported.

Asahi said the Japanese High command would save all the advantages when the landing came and "only then will the war be decided."

The newspaper expressed the belief that before the mainland invasion the Americans will establish airbases along a line from the Bonin islands and Iwo and Ryukyu archipelago to Formosa. It is also possible that the United States will build up bases for Liberator (B-24) bombers on the Chinese continent, "Asahi" said, asserting the Japanese felt the real war had only just started.

The Japanese Parliament will be convoked and the Government will make statements on military affairs and announce new measures "in the face of the present extremely grave situation", it said. —A. P. A.

**Japs' Suicide Attack On Leyte**

The German Radio to-day quoted a Tokyo radio report during the night that on March 5 in the early morning hours the last Japanese defenders on Leyte in the Philippines rallied around their commander and launched a "surprise attack against the enemy's lines during which they all died a hero's death."

The blue network in New York has picked up a Tokyo radio report that four superfortresses bombed Wake island yesterday. If true, it is the first time superfortresses have raided Wake.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

## Last Phase Of War

**MONTGOMERY'S HQ., March 8: General Hordges' troops are across the Rhine. They crossed at 4-30 p.m. yesterday south of Cologne.**

**A bridgehead has been solidly won in a lightning thrust.**

**The defences—if they ever existed—collapsed like a pack of cards before the violent impact of this onslaught. Practically no opposition was met during the drive. Big German dumps were captured.**

**This is the greatest tactical blow struck at the heart of Germany since the offensive to the Rhine began. It is the next and last phase of the war.—Reuter.**

**"NO-CONFIDENCE" IN FRONTIER MINISTRY**

PESHAWAR, March 8.

It is officially learned that Doctor Khan Sahib, Leader of the Congress Parliamentary Party in the Frontier Assembly, has given notice of a no-confidence motion against the present Ministry.—A. P.

(Also See Page 5)

**FRONTIER M.L.A. REJOINS CONGRESS**

PESHAWAR, March 8: Khan Muhammed Afzal Khan, M.L.A., in an interview to the "United Press" said: "I joined the present Government thinking that I might be able to serve to my people and the constituency, but the experience showed otherwise. I have, therefore, decided to rejoin the Congress Party under the leadership of Dr. Khan Saheb."—United Press.

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## Marshal Zhukov Only 31 Miles From Berlin

LONDON, March 8.—Marshal Zhukov is today only 31 miles from Berlin.

He has extended his bridgehead added that the Russian forces at trin as far as Seelow—the nearest point the Red Army has yet reached to the German capital—according to the German Overseas News Agency. At Kuestrin itself, a vital German fortress on the Berlin side of the Oder, Soviet troops have penetrated the defences in attacks from the south-east and north, according to the German News Agency correspondent Colonel Ernst Von Hammer.

Moscow has maintained operational silence on this front, but an earlier Reuter cable said that indications were mounting in the Soviet capital that Marshal Zhukov is about to launch the key battle of the final stage of the war—the battle of Berlin.

It will almost certainly be accompanied by the spreading of the Soviet offensive all along the line, aiming not so much at Germany's great cities, nor even at industrial regions, but at the complete annihilation of the Wehrmacht in the East.

More and more sectors of Germany's Eastern Front are flaring into life as Marshal Stalin's great winter offensive appears about to enter its second phase.

While there is no confirmation in Moscow of a reported new Soviet onslaught on the Central Front, observers are noting yesterday's "Izvestia" despatch reporting the storming of an unnamed river. With Hitler's northern flank in ruins, the Berlin offensive has been imminent for several days, in the view of Moscow observers.

The outer defences of the two key ports of Stettin and Danzig have crumbled afresh, as Marshals Zhukov and Rokossovsky speeded up their twin drives with reinforcements hitherto held in reserve for the final blow to the German positions in the north.

**The German News Agency reports that the Russians have penetrated into German defences at Kuestrin on the Oder line facing Berlin at two points.**

The German News Agency report added tha the Russian forces at Kuestrin are attacking fiercely from south-east and north. Fighting continues on both the sides of the Oder front.

The teeth of the Red Army's trap on Danzig are closing. Marshal Stalin in an order of the day to-night announced that Marshal Rokossovsky's troops have captured Buetow and Koscierzyna which Marshal Stalin describes as "strong bastions of German defences on the approaches to Danzig."

Koscierzyna is 31 miles south-west of Danzig in the former Polish Corridor. Buetow is 20 miles west of Koscierzyna.

**RIOT IN GERMAN CAPITAL?**

LONDON, March 7: The Moscow Radio in German language broadcast to-day that it was reported that a German insurrection occurred in Berlin on Sunday in which one member of Berlin's administration and two Hitler Youths were killed.

The commentator, Majorm Leverence claimed mass anti-Hitler demonstrations took place at two big Berlin railway stations in which crowds shouted "Down with the War and Hitler and his gangsters".

The commentator, Major Leverence riot occurred recently in Munich also.—U. P. A.

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) March 8: The Nawab of Chhatari, President of the Nizam's Executive Council, to-day inaugurated the Eighth Conference of the All-India Ophthalmological Society.

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**LATEST COMMERCIAL**

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New York, March 8.

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| Difference | —01 |
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| Difference | —14 |

**NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE**

New York, March 8.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors dol. 67-5/8.

Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 34.

United States Steel Common dol. 66-5/8.

Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

## U. S. Tanks Enter Bonn Area

### Canadian First Army Men Fight Their Way Into Xanten

LONDON, March 8: The German News Agency to-night reported that American tank spearheads of the First Army are entering Bonn, a Rhine town, from the north. Tanks have reached the town area proper, said the report.

The Cologne garrison has been virtually written off by the capture yesterday of 9,704 prisoners—a record figure for the First American Army on one day.

The highway running south from Bonn to Coblenz has been almost reached.

The German Overseas News Agency reports that American tank spearheads have reached a point six miles west of Coblenz City at the junction of the Rhine and the Moselle.

The German Overseas News Agency states that United States First Army troops have crossed the Ahr River, the last water barrier separating the First and Third Armies.

The German 'communique' to-day reported that Allied tanks spearheads had reached Remigen.

**NEW ALLIED ATTACK**

'Canadian and British' troops at dawn to-day launched an attack on the German bridgehead on the west bank of the Rhine before Wesel.

British troops fought their way into the German bridgehead stronghold of Xanten this afternoon in what was probably the heaviest fighting anywhere on the West Front to-day.

An all-out attack on the bridgehead which thousands of Germans are defending fanatically was launched this morning.

More British had fought their way into Xanten and Canadians are edging ahead south of Xanten.

Other Canadian troops have almost completely surrounded Veen. Both sides are suffering casualties as heavy as any in the last month.

**Fifth Army Men Threaten Vergato**

A.H.Q. MEDITERRANEAN, Mar. 8'

American Fifth Army troops are today threatening from three sides the German stronghold of Vergato, 21 miles south-west of Bologna, on the main road from Pistoia. Fifth Army men have cleared the high ground on the left flank of the Pistoia-Bologna highway of German artillery threatening Allied transport and communications.—Reuter

***CIVILIAN-ELAS CLASH IN ATHENS***

ATHENS, March 8: The Greece Premier, General Plastiras, to-day issued a severe "Order of the Day" to National Guards, demanding that they should be "Pan Hellenes" and avoid personal political view. General Plastiras added that reports of British military authorities and of EAM delegates bore witness to the abuse of their power by National Guards.

A fresh incident occurred yesterday in the centre of Athens between disbanded ELAS troops and a crowd of civilians. One of ELAS men was killed and four ELAS and one civilian were wounded.

## IS FOOD GRAIN LEVY 'ULTRA VIRES'?

### Eminent Counsels' Opinion

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, March 8.

The Bombay Government's procurement of foodgrains by levy scheme has been in operation for some months past.

It is learnt that pre-eminent counsels—Sjts. Bhulabhai Desai, M. C. Setalwad, and K. M. Munshi—have given their opinion that the entire scheme is 'ultra vires' of the powers of the Government under clauses (a) (b) and (f) sub-rule 2 of the Defence of India Rules Rule No. 81.

Broadly the argument is reported to be that these powers can be exercised only with reference to a thing in existence; whereas the whole scheme of the Government is based upon a hypothetical estimate of the crop. The scheme is therefore illegal.

Mr. Munshi further reinforces the contention by arguing that a demand on a cultivator without reference to the consideration whether he has produced merely for his own consumption or for sale or without reference to the fact whether he has actually a surplus for sale does not come under regulation of agriculture and trade, contemplated in the provisions mentioned above.

If these points are upheld, the agriculturist would be greatly relieved. But a piquant situation would arise.

It is learnt that the attention of the Government has been pointedly drawn to the opinion and their reaction is awaited with keen but anxious interest.

**Egypt Backs Up Syria**

CAIRO, March 7.

The Egyptian Government have been notified of the protest to the big powers by Syria and Lebanon at no invitation being extended to them to attend the San Francisco conference, stated the Egyptian Premier Fahmi Elnok Nashi Pasha to-night. He added that the Egyptian Government was "very much concerned with the question".—Reuter.

**Ban On National Leaders 'Day' Holidays**

**ALLAHABAD, March 7.**

**It is understood that the local government have asked for the exclusion of holidays like Mohamedali Day, Tilak Day, Gandhi Day and Motilal Nehru Day observed in vernacular schools. This circular from the Inspector of Schools is being considered by the Municipality.—U. P.**

LITVINOV TO REPRESENT SOVIET AT SAN FRANCISCO

LONDON: According to the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Mirror", M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, may not attend the United Nations Conference at San Francisco.

The "Daily Mirror", therefore, suggests that M. Litvinov might represent the Russian Government at the San Francisco Conference.—U.P.A.

***"Chiang Not To Discuss Indian Deadlock With Roosevelt"***

LONDON, March 8.

It is not true that Chiang Kai-Shek may take the opportunity of discussing with President Roosevelt his desire to see the end of the Indian deadlock, as was currently reported in certain quarters, though it is not unlikely that he may meet Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit and thus acquaint himself with first-hand information about the political situation.—U. P.

***Armistice On April 23?***

LONDON, March 7: A well-known British music hall performer, who specialises in predictions, said to-day: "There will be an armistice on April 23. I am never wrong."

Gal further predicted that the Americans will be in Tokyo by the end of this year and that Hitler will be dead by then—probably by his own hand somewhere "outside Europe."—U. P. A.

**Nazi Oil Plants Raided**

LONDON, March 8: More than 1,350 United States heavy bombers escorted by over 300 fighters to-day attacked six Benzol plants and synthetic oil plants in the Ruhr and five railyards handling traffic from the Ruhr to the rest of Germany. The Benzol plants are in the Gelsenkirchen and Dortmund areas. Rail targets include marshalling yards at Betzdorf, Dillenburg, Siegen, Essen and Giessen.

## Amery Adamant On India Policy

### Says Leading Parties Have Not Come Together To Enable New Gesture From Govt.

LONDON, March 8: Mr. Amery declined in the House of Commons today to make a fresh statement on the British Government's policy towards India.

He had been asked by the Labour Member, Mr. Creech Jones, if he could do so, in view of the recent speech by Sir M. Zafrulla Khan to the Commonwealth Relations Conference in London regarding another approach by the British Government to the Indian situation.

Mr. Shinwell (Labour) had also asked, if in view of the desirability of effecting an early solution of the Indian problem, Mr. Amery would consider without prejudice to the Cripps Proposals taking the initiative in bringing the various interests together for the purpose of another discussion.

Mr. Amery said: "I don't think there is need at this juncture to make any fresh statement on the India policy of His Majesty's Government which has been made fully clear to the world in the draft declaration published on March 29' 1942, and in subsequent pronouncements by His Majesty's ministers. The fulfillment of that policy depends upon the common measure of agreement between the principal parties which His Majesty's Government sincerely wish to see attained.

**SAPRU MOVE WELCOMED.**

"The fact that a committee of Indians under the distinguished chairmanship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru is at present studying the problem is a welcome indication that Indians appreciate the importance of the part they must themselves play in shaping the political future of their country.

Mr. Shinwell: In view of the conciliatory speeches made recently by Sir Zafrulla Khan and other moderate Indian leaders on the subject, which seemed to indicate a new line of approach to the solution of this problem, and as it is necessary that somebody must take the initiative is it not desirable that His Majesty's Government should make a friendly gesture in the hope of affecting a rapprochement?

Mr. Graham White (Liberal) asked importance to the speeches made by distinguished Indians, the fact remains that at present the leading parties have not yet come into sufficient touch to enable a corresponding gesture from His Majesty's Government to have any real effect.

Mr. Shinwell: At a time when every effort is made by His Majesty's Government and the Allied Governments to effect a solution of world problems, is it not desirable that the India problem at some stage should be included?

No reply was audible.

Mr. Graham White (liberal) asked Mr. Amery whether this was not the time to make a demarche of the kind suggested in the question, and whether he would take very serious note of the practical nature of the suggestion.

Mr. Amery: Naturally, I take serious note of every practical suggestion.

Replying to Mr. Geoffrey Nicholson (Conservative) Mr. Amery said it was well-known that in all those provyinces where there was willingness to resume constitutional Government the Governors would respond to that willingness and they had done so in several provinces.—Reuter.

**Govt. Defeats In Assembly Recalled In Commons**

LONDON, March 8. Mr. Sorensen Labour, asked Mr. Amery in the House of Commons to-day how many times the Government of India had been defeated in the Central Legislative Assembly during the last six months and on what issues.

Mr. Amery replied: "I understand from Press reports that the India Government have been defeated six times in the present budget session of the Legislative Assembly. The first occasion was a vote of censure relating to grievances of Indians in South Africa, the second issue was the methods used for sale of National Savings Certificates by Government agents in Bihar; and the remaining four issues arose in connection with the Railway Budget.

## Bombay Firm Imports Consumer Goods Worth 80 Lakhs

### Negotiations In Progress For Sale Of American Cycles In India

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, March 8.

A prominent Indian trading company, having its branch at Ahmedabad and head office at Bombay, has, it is very reliably learnt, imported consumer goods from America worth about 80 lakhs of rupees. These include among other things kerosene wall-lamps, table lamps, hurricane lanterns, tooth brushes, stoppers, buckles and other metallic goods. It is also stated from amongst these goods about 50 thousand lamps and glass chimneys will be distributed in Bombay Province. It is also reliably learnt that a large number of saws (karvat) worth about Rs. 1,00,000 has also been imported from America at Rs. 6-4-0, per saw, and will be sold at Rs. 8-4-0 each. These saws are sold in Indian markets at fancy rates ranging from Rs. 75 to Rs. 100.

Besides, negotiations are going on with American firms for shipment of about two lakhs of cycles and if successfully concluded they will be sold in Indian markets.

It is also learnt that several merchants' applications for the import of American woollen and silk cloth are forwarded and if a settlement is arrived at these too will be sold in Indian markets. A prominent Indian firm is negotiating for the import of about two crores of rupees worth of goods of this type.

## GERMANY HAS LOST WAR DUE TO JAPAN, WAILS HITLER

### "GOD HELP ME FOR WHAT I'LL DO IN LAST EIGHT DAYS OF WAR"

STOCKHOLM, March 8: An underground report from Germany, which gives the impression of authenticity, to-day revealed that Hitler, on February 24, told Reichsleiter Gauleiters—highest Nazi leaders—that Germany has lost the war "because she fell victim to the biggest treason in history," blaming "reactionaries and treacherous allies," for the defeat, including Japan, which, he claimed pledged to attack the Soviet Union simultaneously with Germany.

Regarding the Yalta Conference, Hitler declared that Stalin and Churchill and Roosevelt "thought they could share the bear's skin, but when they march on Germany they will find it is not a bear's skin but ruins of stone heaps, rats, epidemics, hunger and death.

"It is our Holy duty to leave no other inheritance for the Bolsheviks, Jews and plutocrats and, thereby, civilisation shall decline, the Fuehrer said.

He also revealed that Germany has suffered twelve and a half million war losses, including wounded and prisoners.

**KILLING OF HOSTAGES**

Hitler appointed Himmler Special Commissioner for the destruction of all German cities, industries, etc., and said if necessary the Luftwaffe would participate in the destruction plans which include killing all political prisoners and hostages.

Hitler claimed "reactionary officer groups in Japan probably gave Japan the impression it would be wiser to await the outcome of Germany's fight before attacking Russia."

He also claimed Japan broke another pledge, namely, "launch a big offensive against India as soon as they consolidated their position in the Netherlands Indies."

Hitler stated that after Dunkirk he wanted to pursue the fleeing Britishers to their island "but reactionaries in the High Command claimed that the German ships, airplanes and other preparations were insufficient."

Hitler also charged that the German Ambassador to Moscow, Herr Schulenburg, Chief of the German Espionage Department, Admiral Kanaris and other reactionaries, "deliberately deceived him regarding the strength and efficiency of the Soviet Army, thus provoking him to attack Russia "in order to overthrow the National Socialists with the help of the Soviets."

"From German prisoners comes an amazing account of a meeting which is alleged to have occurred between Hitler and his generals at which the Fuehrer is reported to have made a long speech and hinted at mysterious forces operating in Germany's favour", the report said.

"The Fuehrer ended his speech with 'God help me for what I will do in the last eight days of this war,'" the "News Chronicle's" reporter adds from Montgomery's Hq.—U. P. A.

PESHAWAR, March 6: The death occurred of Agha Sayed Lal Badshah popularly known as Fakir-e-Peshawar this afternoon after a protracted illness. He was a worker in the Frontier Province. The funeral was attended by thousands of people including Hindus and Sikhs.—A. P.

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# SCHEME TO TEACH BOMBAY GOVT. POST-WAR PLANS TO RYOTS!

## Aims Of Rural Broadcasting In Province

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Bombay's scheme of rural broadcasting is making rapid progress and within a short time 800 radio sets should be serving the villages in the province.

Since the scheme was inaugurated in April last year, the Government has been able to install 150 radio sets mostly in Maharashtra. The Gujarathi programme has commenced from this month and in urban centres where electricity is readily available radios have been installed. The Government has already acquired 800 radio sets, but their installation is held up for lack of the necessary accessories in wartime

The Bombay Station of the All-India Radio has set apart 40 minutes for rural broadcasting and programmes put through include a variety of subjects that should interest the ryots as well as music and news.

The programmes are designed not only to educate the ryot, in his day-to day life but also to fit him to receive the post-war reconstruction plans of the Government.

MOBILE VANS.

Rural broadcasting forms but one of the many other vehicles of publicity the Government has arranged. Four mobile vans fitted with 35 mm talkie projectors tour the districts of Sholapur, Satara, Ahmednagar and East Khandesh. And, it is Government's intention ultimately to provide one such mobile van for each district.

A new scheme that has been recently put through is the 'film strip scheme.' Projectors capable of projecting short strips of films are supplied to important schools in rural areas for use both in the school and the village. Short films of war scenes or of educative value are also supplied with these.—A. P.

# "Black Heath" Incidents

## British Representations To Spain

LONDON, March 7: Mr. Anthony Eden told the Commons to-day that representations were being made to the Spanish Government over the incidents which took place on board the British steamship "Black Heath" which ran aground in the national zone of Tangier on January 10. The vessel had been torpedoed and abandoned by her crew. The Spanish authorities placed a guard of six men on board her. In the absence of the crew the guard tried to pilfer the personal effects on board. The guard also took down the Red Ensign and replaced it by the Spanish Flag apparently under the impression that the vessel had been finally abandoned by her crew and that it had become, therefore, open to territorial, maritime authorities—who under the present arrangements were for the time being the local Spanish authorities—to take possession of the ship. The Spanish Flag was subsequently struck when members of the crew of the strikes took place in two comps under British control near Athens, containing 5000 detainees. Both the strikes ended after an address by an ELAS official attached to General Scobie's Headquarters. He did not know the cause of the strike.—Reuter.

"Black Heath" returned.

Representations were being made about both the incidents.—Reuter.

# *Chinese Colonel's "Mercy Killing"*

## Acquitted By General Court Martial

Kumming Calling (Delayed): A 31-year-old Lieutenant-Colonel, commander of a fighter group and veteran of 80 aerial mission, was acquitted recently by a general court martial charge of voluntary manslaughter resulting from his firing two shots from a service pistol to end the agony of a sergeant-gunner who was hopelessly pinioned in a burning airplane wreckage.

The "mercy killing" incident occurred at a forward base of the 14th U. S. Army Air Force after a plane crash.—A. P. A.

LONDON, March 7: Mr. Eden announced in the Commons that the Soviet Government was taking immediate steps to free Madam Arciszewski, the wishes of the British Government, wife of the Polish Ambassador, to meet. She had been arrested with other Red Cross workers in Warsaw.

# *"Do Not Expect Too Much"*

## *Maharaj Singh On Work Of Commonwealth Conference*

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON March 7.

In a special interview to the "Bombay Chronicle" Sir Maharaj Singh said: "No one must expect too much from the Commonwealth Relations Conference."

He added: "In our discussions, however, on racial problems and migration good opportunity was afforded to the Indian delegation to present the Indian point of view on race problems in Dominions and possessions and notably in South Africa and Kenya. The Indian point was put forward strongly and unanimously. The case against South Africa was unanswerable. Canadian and Australian delegates were sympathetic towards the grant of full and equal right to Indians in their Dominions. Not only so, but informal talks showed they were sympathetic towards the Indian point of view that the bar against Indians proceeding to Dominions should not be imposed by executive action. Indian opinion strongly resented anything savouring of racial stigma".

## Indian Congressmen's Reception To Greenwood

LONDON, March 7: Mr. P. B. Seal, Chairman of the India Committee of Congressmen in Britain told Reuter's political correspondent to-day that the Committee is planning to give a reception to Mr. Arthur Greenwood, leader of official opposition in the Commons. The reception is expected to be held within the next three weeks but the date has not yet been fixed.

Congressmen hope to take the opportunity of acquainting Mr. Greenwood with the Indian National viewpoint of the British Labour Party's resolution on India at the recent Labour Conference.

## ELAS Prisoners In British Camp Went On Hunger-Strike

LONDON, March 7.

Replying to a question on how many Greeks were detained by British authorities in Africa and India, Mr. Eden said in the Commons that there were virtually none in India, only two cases being known to Greek authorities.

In Africa the number amounted to 12,000 of whom 8,000 were ELAS prisoners, sent there during the fighting.

Arrangements are now being made for their return to Greece.

Mr. Eden also stated that Hunger-

# "I SALUTE MEN OF SPLENDID TRIO"

## Clark's Tribute To Three Indian Divisions

ROME, March 7: "I have had the distinction of having under my command a trio of great Indian divisions—the Fourth, Eighth and Tenth—whose fighting record in Italy is a splendid one", Gen. Mark Clark, commanding the 15th Army Group, told a party of journalists from India who are now touring the Italian front.

"The achievements in combat of these Indian soldiers are noteworthy", continued Gen. Clark. "They have carried on successfully in grim and bloody fighting against a tenacious enemy helped by terrain particularly favourable for defence. No obstacle has succeeded in delaying these Indian troops for long or in lowering their high morale or fighting spirit."

"They are well led, these three divisions. Each of the divisional commanders at one time commanded a battalion of an Indian infantry regiment in combat. These divisional commanders came up the hard way. They are Maj.-Gen. Holworthy of the Fourth, Maj.-Gen. Dudley Russell of the Eighth and Maj.-Gen. Denys Reid of the Tenth.

"Your 'Jawan' and 'Tommy Atkins' and 'Jock' and other soldiers of this international 15th Army Group have established firm bonds of friendship and respect born in action against a tough enemy. The bravery of Indian troops is attested by the battle honours and decorations awarded.

"The Fourth, Eighth and Tenth Indian Divisions will forever be associated with the fighting for Cassino, the capture of Rome, the Arno valley, the liberation of Florence and the breaking of the Gothic Line.

"I salute the brave soldiers of these three great Indian divisions."

### ARRESTED FOR PROPAGANDA AGAINST DEFENCE BONDS

PURI, March 6: Mr. Gokulananda Patra of Ballypatna was arrested yesterday for, it is alleged, carrying on propaganda against the purchase of National Defence Bonds and Saving Certificates. He was produced before the Sub-Divisional Officer, who refused bail and remanded him to jail custody.—A. P.

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The Consent of the Central Government has been obtained to this issue under the Defence of India Rule 94(a) on condition that not more than 25 per cent. of the value of each share for which consent is given shall be called up without the previous approval of the Government of India. It must be distinctly understood that in giving this consent the Government of India do not take any responsibility for the financial soundness of any scheme or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinion expressed with regard to them.

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**MANAGING AGENTS**

Messrs. A. J. PATEL, LIMITED, 195, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

**REGISTERED OFFICE**

195, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

**OBJECTS**

1. The Company has been formed for the purposes generally set out in the Memorandum of Association and in particular for the purpose of carrying on business as manufacturers of raw films (sound negative, picture negative, positive films) for movie as well as photography and manufacturers of carbon, photographic machinery and materials, projectors, lenses and other things usually used for the purposes of the movie trade as well as photographic trade and to carry on the business of cinematographic trade and industry and all its allied and kindred trades and businesses and particularly the business of production of silent and talkie films intended for exhibition in the International market.

2. Looking to the post war development in India Motion picture business which at present is the eighth important one in the country is expected to advance considerably and it may become one of the major industries. It plays an important part in the development of the whole country. Looking to this it is apparent that there will be a good demand for cinema machinery, projectors, cinematographic film, theatre requisites and laboratories for processing films.

3. Till now there are only about 1,500 theatres in India. Upon the cessation of war the theatres would undoubtedly increase in number rapidly. With such increase there may be required more prints of the films made in the country.

4. The Distribution and Exhibition have also equal chances when the number of theatres increase after the war. More efficient distribution will become necessary and the Company has in view acquiring of series of theatres in the important cities, towns and villages in India by building the same. It is also intended as a post-war plan to produce Educational Films for the visual training and the education of the rising generation of our country.

5. The Company intends to set up as early as possible a gigantic and most modern laboratory for processing films of all denominations and sizes including colour films and arrangements have been made to secure 35 mm processing machinery of ultra modern facilities.

6. The Production of pictures for International market has very good chances of getting large profits from the foreign countries provided the International Market Distributors and Exhibitors are secured to distribute and exhibit our pictures and arrangements to secure them are already afoot. Looking to India's cheap labour and much better skill of production a picture can be produced in this country at comparatively lower cost than in any of the countries of Europe or America. Such a picture produced entirely with a view of exhibition in International markets only when exploited is bound to result in good profits and putting our country on the map of the Cine Industry of the world.

7. SJT. A. J. PATEL, F.R.P.S., F.R.S.A. (Lond.)—is the Ex-officio Director of the Company appointed by Messrs. A. J. Patel, Ltd., Managing Agents. He has wide experience in the Cine Industry and had previously been to Hollywood as technical adviser for the production of a foreign picture with Indian background and is at present in America. He will be in a position to study all the opportunities and technique useful to the Company.

SJT. CHIMANBHAI M. PANDYA, B.Sc., A.R.P.S. (Lond.) is the Special Director of the Company appointed by Messrs. A. J. Patel, Ltd., Managing Agents. He is looking after the organisation of the affairs of the Company and his wide business experience and the intense study and technical knowledge will be also of material use to the Company.

**PRELIMINARY EXPENSES**

The preliminary expenses are estimated to be not more than Rs. 25,000|- exclusive of commission and brokerage.

**MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION**

The minimum subscription on which the Directors will proceed to allotment is fixed at 10,000 shares of the nominal value of Rs. 10 0 000|-. As stated above 13 200 shares of the face value of Rs. 13,10 000|- have already been agreed to be taken up and the minimum subscription is more than secured.

**MANAGING AGENTS**

Messrs. A. J. Patel, Limited have been appointed Managing Agents of the Company under the terms of the below mentioned Managing Agency Agreement for a period of 20 years from the incorporation of the Company upon the following terms as to remuneration and other terms and conditions appearing in the said agreement.

(a) A fixed monthly remuneration of Rs. 2,000|- as an office allowance.

The allowance will be given from 1st July, 1945, or when the Company commences to do the business, whichever date is earlier:—

(b) A commission at the rate of 10 per cent on the annual net profits of the Company Provided always that if in any year the Company declares a dividend of 9 per cent or over such commission payable to the Managing Agents shall be at the rate of 12½ per cent on the annual net profits of the Company instead of at the rate of 10 per cent hereinabove mentioned.

"The said remuneration and commission payable to the said Managing Agents shall be exclusive of and shall not include any remuneration or wages which shall become payable to the Bankers, Solicitors, Engineers, Experts, Managers, Commission Agents, Dealers, Mukadams, Clerks, Servants, Workmen, Brokers or other officers or employees who by the said Managing Agents for and on behalf of the Company or for carrying on or conducting the business of the Company nor any rents, taxes, costs, postages, printing or stationery or other office expenses nor any travelling expenses incurred by the said Managing Agents in connection with business of the Company all of which remuneration salaries, wages, costs, charges and expenses shall be borne and paid by the Company."

Following is the clause of the said Managing Agency Agreement.

"The said A. J. Patel Ltd. shall be entitled to have one nominee on the Directorate of the Company. The said nominee and his successor in Office appointed under this clause shall be called Ex-Officio Director. The Ex-Officio Director shall be entitled to hold office until requested to retire by the said A. J. Patel, Ltd., and accordingly he shall not be bound to retire by rotation or be subject to article 117 of the Article of Association. As and whenever an Ex-Officio Director vacates office, whether upon request as aforesaid or by death or otherwise, the said Messrs. A. J. Patel, Ltd. may appoint another Director in his place. An Ex-Officio Director may at any time by notice in writing to the Company, resign his office."

"The said firm of Messrs. A. J. Patel, Ltd., during such time that they shall hold office as Agents of the Company shall have the right to appoint and nominate and from time to time to remove and reappoint one Director as Special Director who shall not be bound to hold qualification shares or be subject to Article 117 of the Articles of Association of the Company."

Corresponding to the above is Art-132 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

**CONTRACTS**

(a) The Company shall enter into an agreement with A. J. Patel Ltd. appointing the latter as the Managing Agents of the Company for the period and on the remuneration and terms set out in the draft agreement referred to in Art. 3 of the Articles of Association of the Company and mainly set out above.

**COMMISSION**

The Articles of the Company provide that the Company may at any time pay a commission to any person in consideration of his subscribing or agreeing to subscribe whether absolutely or conditionally for any shares in the Company but so that if the commission shall be paid or payable out of the capital the statutory condition and the requirements shall be observed and complied with and the commission shall not exceed 5 per cent on the nominal amount of the shares in each case, subscribed or to be subscribed. The Company, however, will pay to recognised brokers, commission or brokerage not exceeding two per cent on the nominal amount of the shares got subscribed by them.

**DIRECTORS QUALIFICATION**

The qualification of a Director other than a special Director shall be the holding of shares of the Company of the nominal value of Rs. 25,000|-

**DIRECTORS REMUNERATION**

The remuneration of every Director shall be such amount not exceeding Rs. 75|- as the Directors may fix from time to time for every meeting of the Board attended by him. The Directors may allow and pay to any Director for the purpose of attending a meeting such allowance as the Directors may consider fair for the travelling and other incidental expenses in addition to his fee for attending such meeting as above specified.

If any Director shall be called upon to go or reside out of Bombay on the Company's business, or otherwise perform extra services (which expression shall include the work done by a Director in signing Certificates of Shares or Debentures issued by the Company or work done by him as a member of any Committee appointed by the Directors in terms of these Articles). The Directors may arrange with such Director for special remuneration for such services either by way of salary or commission or by a percentage of profits or by the payment of a fixed sum of money as may be either in addition to or in substitution of his remuneration above provided. The Directors shall also be entitled to be repaid any travelling or other expenses incurred in connection with the business of the Company.

**VOTING RIGHTS**

On show of hand every member present in person shall have one vote and upon poll every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him. No member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting unless all calls and other moneys for the time being payable by him have been paid and no joint holder of shares shall be entitled to vote so long as he or any joint holder with him shall be indebted to the Company in respect of any moneys then payable.

**TRANSFER OF SHARES**

The Directors may at any time in their absolute and uncontrolled discretion and without assigning any reason decline to register any proposed transfer of shares.

**INSPECTION**

Copy of the draft agreement above referred to be entered into by the Company with A. J. Patel Ltd. appointing them as the Managing Agents of the Company and copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association can be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company during Office hours.

**APPLICATIONS FOR SHARES**

Application for shares may be made upon the form accompanying the Prospectus or a similar form and sent to the Registered Office of the Company or to the Company's Bankers at any of their offices in India. In case no shares are allotted the deposit will be returned in full and if the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for the balance will be applied to payment of allotment moneys on the shares allotted and any excess left will be refunded.

The Prospectus and the Form of application for Shares can be obtained from the Registered Office of the Company.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1945.

(Sd.) HIRALAL K.
G. S. PODDAR.
M. B. BILLIMORIA.
B. D. BHARUCH
RAMESHWAR PRASAD BAGLA.
RAM GOPAL GUPTA.
A. J PATEL by the hand of Purshottam J. Patel His duly appointed constituted attorney.
C. M. PANDYA.

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# CITY AND SUBURBS

## To-day

Hindu: Falgun Vad 10, 2001.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Avval 23, 1364.
Parsi: Meher 7, 1314.
Sunrise: 7-52 a.m. Sunset: 7-47 p.m.
Hightide: 7-23, 22-04.
Lowtide: 2-38, 14-27.

## To-day's Engagements

BOMBAY PRARTHANA SAMAJ: Service in Songs (Bengali) led by Mrs. Kalyani Bhattacharya, to-day, at 6-30 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Where are the Dead," Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day 6-15 p.m.

EXHIBITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS: Mr. D. R. D. Wadia's Show at the University Convocation Hall, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Special Section: Photographic Studies of Gandhiji. Admission free.

BHAGINI SAMAJ DADAR: Annual sports gathering will be held at Samaj Hall, Hindu Colony, Dadar to-day, at 4 p.m. Lt.-Col. C. K. Naidu will preside.

INDIAN GLOBE SPORTS CLUB: Reception to Lt.-Col. C. K. Nayudu under the auspices of the Sunder Cricket Club and the above Club, to-day, at the Indian Globe Insurance Co., at 7-0 p.m. (S. T.), under the Presidentship of Sir Chunibhai Madavlal.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: With immediate effect private telegrams for mainland of Greece are admitted. But commercial telegrams restricted to those ascertaining facts and exchanging information. Telegrams should be written in English or French only. Code not admitted.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER and the Councillors of Ward No. 15 (Sewri-Naigaum) will meet near the Junction of Tripartite Road and Sewri New Road, to-morrow, at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.) 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the ward. Residents of the ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

DRIVE TO STOP ELECTRICITY WASTAGE: An intensive drive to stop wastage of electricity and so make more power available for industry has been started in Bombay. Letters are being sent to consumers asking them to co-operate and similar appeals are being made in newspapers. Posters, cinema slides and hoardings all carry the message "Save Electricity—It is Precious."

"KANWAL AUR BHANVAR": To-day, at 10 p.m., A. I. R. Bombay, presents 'Kanwal Aur Bhanvar'—A Musical feature by Mr. F. A. Siddiqui, based on a romantic story, on 89.15 metres.

On 244 m. will be radiated the Bombay Chamber Music Society's 491st Concert under the direction of Walter Kaufmann. The programme includes a Piano Trio by Haydn and a Duo for Violin and Piano by Schubert.

INTER-RELIGIOUS CONVENTION: At Sunderabai Hall, to-day at 6 p.m. President: Prof. J. C. P. Andrade Prayer by Rev. James Kellock. Welcome address by Swami Sambuddhananda, Chairman, Reception Committee. Inaugural Address by His Holiness Srimat Swami Sharvanandaji. Speakers include Mrs. Shirin Fouzdar, Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia, Prof. S. V. Dandekar, Miss R. Reubin, Rao Bahadur P. C. Dewanji.

TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES: To-day 6-30 p.m., at Nagpada Neighbourhood House Hall, New Nagpada Road, Byculla, Symposium on "Who is the Man of the Hour?" Speakers: Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas for Mahatma Gandhi; Mr. R. L. Fleming for President Roosevelt; Mr. E. J. Okell for Winston Churchill; Mr. Lal Ning for Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-Shek; Mr. R. M. Jambekar for Marshal Stalin. President: Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor of Bombay.

KRISHNA GITA PATHSHALA: The programme has been arranged for Adhik Chaitra by Krishna Gita Pathshala. Ved Shastra Sampanna Kavishwar Buva of Trimbak will perform the following:—

Daily from 8-30 to 9-30 a.m. (S. T.), Parayan of 12 Adhyayas of Shrimad Mad Bhagwat; Daily from 9-30 to 10-30 a.m. (S. T.), to Comment on the above; Daily from 6 to 6-30 p.m. (S. T.), lecture on one Adhya of Purshotam Mahatmaya and Daily from 6-30 to 8 p.m. (S. T.), Shri Harikirtan. The place will be:—Krishna Gita Pathshala, Kolbhat Lane, Bhatiya Mahajanwadi.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER: Following have been unanimously re-elected as representatives of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, on the Board of the Bombay Port Trust, for a fresh term of two years commencing from 1st April, 1945: Mr. M. A. Master (General Section), Mr. J. C. Setalvad (General Section), Mr. Haridas Madhavdas (Cotton Section), Mr. Behram N. Karanjia (Piecegoods Section) and Mr. Ramdas Kilachand (Grain & Seeds Section).

BOMBAY SOUTH INDIA CLUB. The Third Social Gathering of the Club will take place at 5 p.m., on Sunday, the 11th instant, at the Khalsa College Hall, Matunga (G. I. P.). The programme consists of a Talk by Dr R. Naidu, D.Sc. (Paris); Ph.D. (London), on "The Experiences of an Indian Scientists abroad" and Dance Recitals by the Pupils of Sri Gopalkrishna.

## R. P. Masani On Winding Up Of National War Front

BOMBAY, March 6.—Sir Rustom P. Masani, Provincial Leader of the National War Front, interviewed by the A.P.I. apropos the dissolution of the National War Front and its substitution by a Central Publicity Organisation regretted that it should have been decided to wind up the Front on a resolution of the Assembly and said that it would have been far better if those in charge of the National War Front in various Provinces had been able to meet to discuss policy and useful constructive work that could be done in the future in addition to what was necessary to help the war effort. He expressed the belief that if there was work to be done to educate the people concerning the issues of world organisation and co-operation, the Front could have carried on its work in a modified form, but it certainly is not needed merely for publicity work of the Government of India Departments.—A.P.

## TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1
FRIDAY, March 9.

244 m (1,231 kc/s) 8-0 a.m. News (H) 8-15 News (E) 8-30 Rangnath Jadhav and Party 8-45 Gottuvadyam 8-50 News (M) 9_0 News (G) 9-10 Tomorrow 9-15 Duets 9-30 Amanat Ali Khan 12-30 p.m. Bhavgeet 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12_55 News (H) 1-0 Light Selection 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music 5_0 Vali Mohammad 5-15 Kesarbai Bandodkar 5-45 Topical Talk 5-55 Locals 6_0 Argonauts 6-30 News (E) 6-40 News (H) 6-45 News Commentary (G) 6-50 A H Khan (Sitar) 7-0 Uddhotar Hindustan 7-15 Vali Mohammad 7-30 Madhurika Muzumdar and Party (G) 7-45 Popular Songs 8-0 Abdul Hamid Khan (Sitar) 8-15 News (M) 8-30 News (G) 8-45 Madhurika Muzumdar (G) 9-0 News (H) 9-20 News (E) 9-30 B B C News 9-45 World Affairs (B B C) 10-0 Kanwal Aur Bhanvar (H) 10-20 Amanat Ali Khan

# "HOSPITAL DAY"

## Bombay Public Thanked

Lt. Col. Jelal M. Shah, I.M.S. Superintendent, J. J. Group of Hospitals, and Principal, Grant Medical College, Bombay, writes:—

May I be permitted to avail myself of the hospitality of your columns to thank the public of Bombay on behalf of the staff, students, nurses and all other personnel of the J. J. Group of Hospitals and the Grant Medical College for their most encouraging and hearty response to our invitation to visit these institutions last Sunday, our first "Hospital Day"?

It was indeed a great privilege for all of us to welcome and escort the thousands of visitors round our various Departments, and Sunday, the 4th March, 1945, will for ever remain a red letter day in the history of these old and historic institutions.

The exemplary behaviour and good spirit of the large crowds, who honoured us by their visits on "Hospital Day" under what we know only too well were most trying conditions, owing to the unavoidable congestion in the various Departments, are much appreciated by us all.

Our helplessness in allowing them more time to see the exhibits and specimens, we are confident, will readily be understood and forgiven when it is realised that some two lakhs of people visited these Hospitals and the Medical College on Sunday.

Now that we gratefully appreciate that the public of Bombay, particularly the poorer classes, do indeed look upon these institutions as their own, we hope to keep the doors of the Hospitals and the Medical College open for their inspection and patronage for a longer period on the next occasion.

Those great institutions, which we have the honour to serve, are public institutions and we are, of course, proud to be public servants.

With all humility and thankfulness to the Almighty, we look forward to still further opportunities of service to the poor sick of Bombay.

## BOAT CAPSIZES IN GALE

### 13 Persons Drowned

(From Our Correspondent)
DAHANU, March 8.

A country-craft named "Amadar" belonging to Mr. M. Rahimtulla of Bombay, loaded with Chunum was going to Bombay from Jafrabad. It was caught in high winds and capsized on rocks, near Dahanu on the night of 5th March. Out of 23 passengers and crew on board, 13, it is feared, are drowned, including 3 men and ten women and children. Eight bodies have been recovered so far. Ten persons are rescued and are being fed and attended to locally.

## MALAYALAM DRAMA IN AID OF KERALA

Under the auspices of the United Kerala Relief Association, the Malyalam drama, "The Call of Hunger" will be staged to-morrow (Saturday), at 8-30 p.m. at the Khalsa College Hall, Matunga. The play which deals with topical reality has been written by a well-known Malyalee writer C. Achutha Menon who, incidentally, is a candidate in the coming elections for the Cochin Legislative Council.

The United Kerala Relief Association is an organisation of Malyalees in Bombay which has undertaken to finance two of the 8 Medical Centres started by the People's Relief Committee, Kerala.

## Kerala Distress Relief Committee

The honorary Secretary of the Kerala Distress Relief Committee, Bombay, writes:—

My attention has been drawn to the collections made by a few individuals in the name of the Kerala Distress Relief Committee of which the Mayor of Bombay is the Chairman. I wish hereby to make known to the public that contributions are accepted by the Committee only against official receipts. No other collections made in this behalf should be treated as spurious.

## HOTEL KAMGAR UNION

Mr. Mahomed Jaffer, Working President, Bombay Hotel Kamgar Union, writes:—It is deplorable that when thousands of workers in smaller hotels and restaurants are getting weekly holidays, overtime remuneration, and other facilities, workers in princely hotels like Taj Mahal and Grand are denied, even weekly holidays. The Taj is run by persons who have expressed a keen desire to ameliorate the lot of the common man and achieve national progress (vide Bombay Plan). Considering that, it was hoped that they would set an example to others by providing the workers with adequate dearness allowance, basic wages, monthly annual leave with pay, provident fund, etc. But, instead, it is regrettable to find that the legitimate grievances of their employees placed before them for consideration by the last general meeting of the workers under the auspices of the Union have not been attended to.

## VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT TO AID B.P.W. COUNCIL FUND

The Bombay Presidency Women's Council, organised the variety entertainment, at the Taj on Wednesday which was a great success. The proceeds of the show will go to augment the funds of the Women's Council, for furthering their manifold activities. Songs rendered by Miss Juthika Ray were much appreciated. Dance recitals by the Engineer sisters, Shirin Vajifdar's pupils and the Mirchandani sisters, also the magic performance arranged by the Society of Indian Magicians were also equally well appreciated.

## INDIA UNITED MILLS

BOMBAY, March 8.—The Textile Commissioner's Order controlling the distribution of the production of the India United Mills has been cancelled with effect from March 3, 1945.—A.P.


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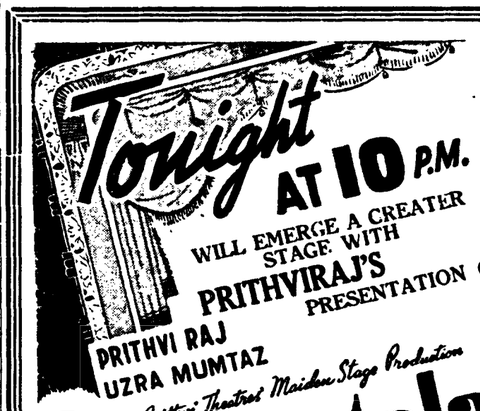

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## ALL-INDIA WEATHER

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## A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

*A poor man waited a thousand years before the gate of Paradise; then, while he snatched one little nap, it opened—and shut.*

—Arabian Proverb.

The Bombay Chronicle

## ADDING INSULT TO INJURY

Replying to the criticism of the Budget in the Central Assembly, Sir Jeremy Raisman remarked that the debate had begun in a personal and offensive manner but improved later. If he was right he was himself far more personal and offensive in his beginning, which is not calculated to raise his reputation for a sense of responsibility. He indulged in unbecoming and ill-disguised abuse of Mr. Manu Subedar. Mr. Subedar was doubtless hard in his criticism, as he usually is and needs to be. But so far as we can speak from the Press reports of his speech there was nothing offensive or otherwise unworthy in it. His hardest remark was that Sir Jeremy was "very effectively liquidating the economic life of the country", an opinion shared by millions in the country, though Sir Jeremy is not exclusively responsible for the country's plight. The Finance Member made little attempt to meet his arguments. That was certainly not an easy task. He made up for that omission with personal, offensive vilification, as pettifogging lawyers do in dealing with inconvenient opponents. He evaded Mr. Subedar's arguments by saying: "You could only argue with a man if you had some common ground. It would be impossible, for instance, for Mr. Churchill to argue with Hitler." Sir Jeremy was not content with an innuendo. He went on to say: "From Mr. Subedar's point of view, the Government of India was comparable with the Vichy Government. That was what Goebbels would say and, in fact, it merely illustrated that Mr. Subedar's standpoint was that of the enemy". We need not discuss here the comparison between the Government of India and the Vichy Government. But it is an impertinent travesty to say that Mr. Subedar's standpoint is that of the enemy. Mr. Subedar is only attempting earnestly to safeguard the interests of India in the use of her resources for the war and that attitude cannot be justly called that of the enemy by those who would stand up for justice to her.

To Sir Jeremy the Indian problem is a very simple one. He says the question before the Government of India is whether it should facilitate the participation in the war or it is to act as a neutral or a non-belligerent. Now, that question has already been answered by Britain without any previous reference to India. But it is certainly not enough to facilitate India's participation in the war. That is only one side of the matter. What is more important is what war burdens may be justly imposed upon the country. Justice requires that our burdens should not be beyond our capacity, that as far as possible they should be related to our needs and interests and that the people who incur the expenditure should have effective control over it. Sir Jeremy has not paid due consideration to these interests, which for that very reason need to be strenously safeguarded by the people's representatives. Already our burdens are beyond our capacity, several of them ought to have been borne by other countries. Lakhs of people have died in India from starvation or the diseases due to malnutrition, and millions are still half-starved. Yet we have no control whatsoever either over the administration in general or over the war policy or war expenditure. And when men like Mr. Subedar expose these grievances, it is outrageous to suggest that their standpoint is that of the enemy. Government has already done enough injury to the people. Let not its spokesmen add insult to it.

## Frankly Speaking

### Problem Of Security

Discussing the Yalta decisions and the Dumbarton Oaks plan sometime ago, we had pointed out that the problem of any danger to world peace from Germany or Japan had already been effectively solved. The programme to disarm them, militarily and industrially, and to keep them disarmed, as also plans of reparation, economic and territorial, is going to keep them out of mischief for at least a couple of generations. No German or Japanese—the Italian simply does not count—can, during the next fifty years do more or worse than brood over his fate. Beyond the doubtful luxury of thinking private thought he will be capable of doing nothing. The problem of world peace and security during the next fifty years is the problem of internal threat to them, that is to say, a threat from a member or group of the United Nations themselves. If is this problem which the Dumbarton Oaks organisation had to tackle, an organisation which is shortly to be blessed by the whole non-Axis world—with some significant exceptions—in United Nations assembled. Has the problem been successfully tackled?

### Vital Veto

The essence of ensuring peace and security is, apart from unreserved adherence to the Atlantic Charter in both word and deed, effectively checking possible aggressor or punishing the actual aggressor to prove that aggression does not pay. The plan fails in this respect. The formula which gave the aggressor effective right of veto made nonsense of the whole plan. The Yalta declaration promised a modification of it. That modification does not save the plan. Let us not mention names, but under the modified formula if great power X—one of the Big Four—has an unjust dispute with a small power Y the Organisation provides for a just award to be given in favour of Y. But if X rejects the award and proceeds to use force against Y the Big Powers who alone have the right and responsibility to defend peace and security by force of arms can do nothing because X has the right to veto the decisive step. Y will fall a victim, as Abyssinia did, to the might of X with the powers who could rescue Y looking on, just looking. Where is the difference between the old League and the present Security Organisation? This very defect, which we have discussed destroyed the League of Nations and—plunged the world into war.

### Arab Protest

An Egyptian paper has pointed out that, like Syria and Lebanon, Transjordan, too, has been excluded from the San Francisco Conference. Transjordan's case is on a par with that of Syria and Palestine except that where the former is concerned the Big Powers have yielded to British Imperial interests. The exclusion of these three countries have brought into glaring prominence the fact that French and British Imperialisms have important post-war designs in the Middle East. It is a great menace to all the Arab countries whose future can neither be smooth nor secure so long as every one of them is not freed from European Imperialist dominance. This menace, we are however, glad to note is being realised by the Arab countries as witness the creation of the Arab League. And they also seem to be reacting in the right way to new manifestation of Imperialist designs. The Egyptian Premier has made quite clear that Egypt is concerned over the exclusion from the San Francisco Conference. An Egyptian goes further and suggests that invited Arab countries should, as a protest, decline the Big Powers' invitation. A joint and strong protest by all Arab countries, whatever its practical form, is necessary. And there is every reason to hope that the Big Powers will be confronted with it.

### Zhukov's Big Heave

With the spectacular dash of General Patton's forces, General Eisenhower has now four Armies lined up on the west bank of the Rhine. The river is the only remaining obstacle before the Anglo-American forces. And it is a formidable obstacle. But the fact that Mr. Churchill has just visited the western front and has hinted at the likelihood of a "big heave" from both the East and the West suggest that we have soon been of the Rhine being assaulted. For, according to the Germans, the "big heave" has practically started on the eastern front with Marshal Zhukov going over to the offensive on a mighty scale along 100 miles of the Oder front. This is of course, a German report but if it is true, as we hope it is, General Eisenhower must get going pretty soon to meet the Russians in centre of Germany.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Don't force your advice upon people whose friendship you care for.

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The man who lacks faith in his ability seldom accomplishes anything.

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The invalid realizes that he is on the high road to recovery when he sees the doctor's bill.

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A woman seldom objects to a self-made husband, unless he insists upon her wearing self-made dresses.

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Imitation may be the sincerest form of flattery, but most men acquire wealth by doing what they see others do not do.

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In accord with the eternal fitness of things, a girl with teeth like pearls naturally will be as dumb as an oyster.

## ROOSEVELT FAVOURS CELLER BILL

### Admission To Indians On Quota Basis

WASHINGTON, March 8: President Roosevelt has written to the Chairman of the House Immigration Committee heartily endorsing the Celler Bill.

The bill would admit Indian immigrants into the United States on a quota basis and naturalise qualified Indians already resident in the United States.

President Roosevelt's letter was revealed by the Attorney General, Mr. Francis Biddle, who was testifying in support of the Bill. Mr. Biddle said the Department of Justice and State Department were very much in favour of this Bill.—Reuter.

Our Readers' Views

## Ill-Conceived And Unjust Order

Government order fixing the price of ready-made tea and coffee at 1 anna and 1½ annas respectively for 6 fluid ounces is ill-conceived and unjust and appears to have been issued without consulting the trade. The control price of every article is based on landed cost, if imported or cost of manufacture if it is made locally. For instance in the case of cloth, poplins of different mills are priced differently according to quality and cost of manufacture.

This principle seems to have been ignored completely whilst fixing the price of ready-made tea and coffee. It has been taken for granted that the price of ready-made tea or coffee depends entirely on the price of milk. This is not correct. The grade of tea used, the way in which it is prepared, the manner in which it is served, the crockery used, the rent of the establishment, the wages of the staff and the general standard of cleanliness and comforts—all these factors affect the price of tea and coffee.

Why is the price of tea served in pot not fixed? Some of the big establishments in the Fort area are charging exorbitant prices for tea and coffee and have no competition between themselves.

There was no need to fix the price of ready-made tea and coffee as there is very keen competition between restaurants doing this business. Had the prices not come down within a reasonable time after the introduction of skimmed milk, government would have been justified in fixing the rates, by ordering the restaurants to reduce their rates by a certain fixed percentage on the basis of rates prevailing before the introduction of milk powder.

The part of the order making it an offence for any restaurant to refuse to serve readymade tea and coffee on payment of fixed price is also unjust, because sugar rations of all establishments have been cut down recently. Under the order establishments whose main business is to serve food have to serve tea and coffee to all persons demanding it even during busy hours causing considerable loss to themselves. There is also the possibility of the whole week's ration being used up in two days making it impossible for the restaurants to supply tea with meals during the rest of the week.

Government order has thus forced better class establishments to prepare inferior tea or to discontinue entirely the sale of ready-made tea or coffee. It is apparent that the trade was not consulted when the tea order was issued.

Bombay. R. C. DALAL.

### Standardised Cloth Scheme

It is a well-known fact that at present much of the production of various mills goes into the Black Market as a direct consequence of the various Control Orders introduced by the Government. There is a great clamour at least for dhoties, sarries, long-cloth etc. and needy consumers have to pay fancy prices dictated by the merchants.

In order to meet this situation, I suggest that Government should require the industrialists to manufacture only the standard type of cloth of particular count, length, breadth and texture. Only Standard types of dhoties, sarries, etc. should be allowed to be manufactured.

There is nothing impracticable in the scheme, if the mill-magnates are willing to sacrifice a little or their vested interests for the benefit of the masses who are poverty-stricken.

M. D. CHOKSEY.

Bombay.

# Is British Fleet Suitable To Operate In Pacific?

## Built For Defensive Short-Range Action At Lower Speed Alleges War Correspondent

NEW YORK March 7.: Intense speculation has broken out in America on whether the Royal Navy is to play—or is capable of playing—an active part in the Pacific war.

Admiral Bruce Fraser's declaration that 'the British Fleet is ready and waiting for action" is taken in some quarters as a significant indication that he is impatient at the delay and fears frustration. One dispatch from Australia to-day spoke of an "uneasy feeling" there that some decision has been taken between Britain and the United States which may affect the Empire future of the British Fleet in the Pacific. One American war correspondent packed this idea up to-day by writing a 600-word article alleging that the British Fleet, built for short-range action, is unsuitable for the vast Pacific Ocean theatre—an allegation which Admiral Fraser has already denied.

"Immediate joint operations by the American and British Pacific fleets are not practicable", he wrote. "The American warships are constructed for highspeed offensive action, the British for defensive action at considerably slower speeds.

Most United States warships in the Pacific are capable of making 30 knots; many travel even faster. Many British warships reach their maximum efficiency at 12 to 18 knots.

"Admiral Nimitz's Third or Fifth Fleet alone is capable now—or very soon will be—of striking at any objective with 2,000 carrier-planes. The entire British Fleet dispersed round the world probably could not put a fraction of that many warplanes into the air.

"Allied warships had two, not too satisfactory joint operations when United States and British carriers teamed to bomb Sumatra and Sourabaya. Retirements were very slow by American naval standards".

### Fraser's Polite Rebuke To Washington

MELBOURNE: The Naval Correspondent of the "Melbourne Herald" wrote to-day: "The role of the British Fleet in the Pacific appears to be in the balance. Reports from abroad leave little room for doubt that there is some hitch in the plans for using the British and the American fleets in combined major operations against the Japanese.

It seems likely that Admiral Fraser's announcement that the British Fleet is ready is an expression of a polite and careful rebuke to Washington authorities. If the fleet is ready, a statement from London and Washington outlining its role would clear the air from the many harmful stories current there and in America that the British Fleet is not wanted in the Pacific and is unsuitable for use over long ranges.

The report from Pearl Harbour that the British Fleet is too slow is incorrect. There is little difference between their operational speeds. Problems of supply and bases are believed to have been overcome after the meeting between Admiral Nimitz and Admiral Fraser. To the argument that the British Fleet has insufficient air power it is pointed out that Americans 12 months ago had heavily damaged the central Pacific Japanese bases with no greater carrier strength."

# CHURCHILL IN DRAGON'S TEETH

## *Tory Bias For Monarchies Produces Cesspool In Europe*

## BUT ENGLAND STEADILY GOES LEFTIST

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, March 7.

While Allied armies pour into beaten Rhineland and the American First Army's tanks better into the great industrial heart of Germany, the cesspool of Allied controlled Italian peace stirs with outbreak of riots outside the Royal Palace in Rome.

"Down with the Government" "Down with the King", shouted several thousand Italians as they swarmed to the Quirinal. These scenes followed the escape of General Roatta, the former Italian Secret Service Chief now on trial for espionage, sabotage and murder.

While the demonstrations against Italian monarchy grow, Allied Powers controlling Italy's destiny do not seem to abandon their patronage for this institution. The climax of the evening's rioting came when crowds burst into the Viminable Palace, which is the official residence of the Italian Prime Minister and from the balcony of the Palace exhibited the dead body of the killed rioter.

This morning's London papers frontpage the picture of Mr. Churchill in Germany. The caption reads "Churchill in the Dragon's teeth", which was part of the Siegfried Line.

But there seems to me to be a strange irony about this phrase for vis-a-vis the European politics today Mr. Churchill and this Tory Government also appear to be dangerously in the dragon's teeth.

### CLIMBED DOWN IN GREECE

It was so in Greece where only his dramatic appearance on the scene and this swift climb down in the face of British and American public opinion averted what might have been an ugly situation. Again at Yalta he climbed down to the Russians in yielding to a different solution of the Polish question than the one which he had intended. It seems clear now that Mr. Churchill and M. Stalin came to some agreement in respect of spheres of influence in Greece and Poland.

### REBUFF TO TORY GOVT.

But what stands out from all this is that the common people of Britain and liberated Europe do not stomach any more the platitudes of Tory Governments. Had the Allies treated Italy as a conquered country, the Italians would have understood it. But broadcasts of the B.B.C. during the days of North Africa had struck a different note

and even today the Allied military currency notes in Italy have printed on them the 'four freedoms.'

Today the Allied Military Government and Allied Commission in Italy is finding it difficult to live upto its promises now. When Mr. Harold MacMillan, head of the Allied Commission in Italy, enunciated to us at a recent Press Conference in Rome new orientation of Allied policy towards Italy, he did not so much as get a cheer from the large turnout of pressmen! Shrewd and clever though Mr. MacMillan was, his manner was unsuited to the realist conditions prevailing to-day.

His declaration was pseudo-Churchilian, his tongue appeared to be in his cheek when he spoke of requirements of sovereign State. When asked to define to what precise status this new policy was taking Italy, Mr. MacMillan was unable to define it.

This blueblooded blue-eyed boy of the Tory Party was pitched into by Allied pressmen and Mr. MacMillan knew at the end of Conference that his House of Commons manner had not gone down with the bunch of newspapermen, who had seen the misery that was Italy.

And this is a great mistake which Tory leaders are making today. They are trying to rule—yes, rule—with the 'old school tie' and they speak about the destiny of whole countries as if it was in a pre-war debate at the Oxford Union.

### BRITAIN SWERVES LEFT

Here in London within a few days it is easy to see that Britain is fast swerving left. It is not the Left-wing of cranks. Even tub-thumpers in Hyde Park are of a different class. Crowds which gather to hear them are not being amused but are rather being moulded to think. One speaker of young and earnest—in a brilliant denunciation of the Tory Government's sneeking regard for monarchies, spoke of days when King Peter of Yugoslavia was being allowed to speak over the B.B.C. in London while Marshal Tito was fighting for the life of his people. Apparently King Peter had said: My heart bleeds for my people.....

Said the Hyde Park Speaker: "What's the use of its bleeding in a B.B.C. studio? Give him machine-gun and sickle and send him back to Yugoslavia to fight; and his heart can bloody well bleed as long as it likes."

That is the language I found England talking today returning to it after six years.

Reuters, on whom we rely in India, never seem to report these speeches.

Even in Yugoslavia the scene has changed and only recently Field Marshal Alexander thought it important enough to call on Marshal Tito.

### FASCISM CLOSE TO VESTED INTERESTS

Someday when the real story of Greece is allowed to be told it will be realised that Fascism is very close to vested interests in all countries. It is in very bloodstream of all capitalist systems—even those which today are fighting against Nazi Germany. War against vested interests is the coming war—the war for men's minds, as Wilkie once said. There is no doubt in my mind that it will come to the surface when the war with Germany is over.

### WHO PAYS?

Meanwhile another King—King George of Greece—though outwardly resigned to retirement in his suite at Claridges Hotel is sending large sums of money into Greece to see that Monarchists in Greece are not handicapped at the next Greek elections. Where does that money come from? How does that money get there?

# RAIN RENDERS UNFIT GRAINS STOCKED BY GOVT. AGENT

## Srivastava's Revelations In Central Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 8.

During question time in the Central Assembly today, the Food Member, Sir J. P. Srivastava, revealed that during 1943 Messrs. Owen Roberts and Co. Ltd., Government grain purchasing agents, purchased for the Food Department about 4,40,000 tons of wheat of the approximate value of Rs. 12 crores.

The Food Member continuing said that as the wheat arrived at Delhi flour Mills in June 1943, bags containing about 2,700 tons had to be temporarily stocked in open railway land due to shortage of capacity in the mills and out of this, wheat valued at Rs. 1.765 was damaged by heavy rain and destroyed as unfit for human consumption.

The Food Member also stated that out of the stocks over 36,000 bags of "moong" and "urd" dal purchased by Messrs. Owen Roberts Co., during 1943-44. 1,275 bags were rendered unfit for human consumption through damage by rain and buried near the Military Grain Depot, Lahore. The value of dal buried was Rs. 52,838/11/- Investigation regarding liability for the loss was still proceeding.

The Food Member informed Mr. Mohamed Hussain Choudhury during question hour to-day that the Food Department paid Rs. 1,40,000 in full settlement of the claim of Messrs. Modern Industries of Sahidabad on account of alleged improper rejection by the Inspectorate of Foodstuffs of dehydrated potatoes manufactured by the firm and the alleged breach on the part of the Government. The responsibility of the officers was under examination.—United Press.

A new yarn distribution scheme for the handloom weavers had been introduced, the Commerce Member said in reply to Mr. Abdul Qaiyum. Under this scheme, yarn was divided into four categories, namely 1's to 10's; 11's to 20's; 21's to 40's; and over 40's. In each category each Province or State was given the percentage of its requirements which supplies permitted; and the Textile Commissioner would decide which mills or dealers should provide this percentage.

### HAJIS' TROUBLES

The Commonwealth Relations Member Dr N. B. Khare denied charges of ill-treatment of Hajis at Karachi, particularly the complaint that passages were sacrificed for cargo shipments. He said one ship had to leave with less than 100 passengers in the first sailing. Additional accommodation was provided for 400 extra pilgrims who had arrived without booking their passage for the second sailing.

The Labour Member Dr. Ambedkar replying to Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar explained the plan to send Labour Officers to the U. K. for training. The training would last for a period of about six to eight months. The intention was to send three batches of 20 officers each, each batch including 12 officers of the Central Government and eight of the Provincial Governments and States.

The Commonwealth Relations Member replying to Mr. Manu Subedar gave the figure of Burma evacuees who were servants of the Burma Government before they came to India as 33,508, of whom 837 had been employed in different departments of the Government of India.

### SOUTH AND EAST AFRICAS

Dr. Khare explained in reply to Mr. Manu Subedar the position with regard to Indians domiciled in South Africa and East Africa who come to India on short visits and who were experiencing difficulty in obtaining return passages. As regards South Africa, he stated, the Union Government had agreed to grant extension on condition that the Government of India certified in each case that a passage had been booked and that shipping accommodation was not available.

As regards East Africa, on representations made by the Government of India, the East African Governments had stated that entry permits would not be refused to applicants who were 'bona fide' residents of the countries and had been absent even for more than two years.

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar drew the Food Member's attention to the news about the throwing away of large quantities milk in Bombay and asked what steps were proposed to conserve milk and regulate supply in that city and elsewhere.

Sir Jwalaprasad Srivastava detailed the steps already taken.—A. P.

## *Diamond Jubilee Of Congress*

## S. K. Patil Has Already Begun Preparations

The "Diamond Jubilee" of the Indian National Congress will be celebrated all over India this December. And Bombay, where the first session of the Congress was held proposes to observe the occasion in a fitting manner.

Mr. S. K. Patil has already begun preparations in this behalf. Inviting constructive suggestions for the celebrations Mr. Patil says the nation is not in a happy frame of mind since our national leaders—the members of the Congress Working Committee—are still detained behind the prison bars and our main Congress organisations are still under Government ban. These unfortunate circumstances notwithstanding, we shall have to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee and the preliminary preparations in this connection must start from now. The occasion must vividly reflect the national progress which the country has made during these six decades under the political leadership of the Congress."

The spacious building—the Gokuldas Tejpal Pathsala—where the first session was held in Bombay in 1885 under the Presidentship of Mr. W. C. Bonnerjee still stands intact. And when the Golden Jubilee was celebrated with great pomp in 1935 a marble tablet was raised in front of this building.

### *"INDIAN LEADERSHIP HAS FAILED"*

LONDON, March 7: Supporting the view that some positive action by the Brutish Government is necessary "to end the present deadlock" now that Indian leadership "has manifestly failed", Mr. A. B. Pillai in a letter to The "Times" today writes: "But this action should take the form of a final settlement not liable to be upset by an ambitious party of politicians. If an agreed constitution is not forthcoming from India it must be framed once and for all by British, subject of course to rights of modification—or indeed of secession—which every dominion enjoys under the Statute of Westminster."—Reuter.

### *COMMONS CHANGE TIMINGS*

LONDON, March 8: The House of Commons which owing to difficulties caused by blackout and transport has been sitting during the day, will in future sit from 2.15 G. M. T. until 20.15 or 20.45.

The change, which takes place next Tuesday, was decided by the Commons to-day.

Sir John Anderson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the Commons to-day that monetary agreement between the British and the Swedish Governments was signed last Tuesday.

### What About Indian States At San Francisco?

LONDON March 8: Sir George Schuster (Liberal National) thinks that representatives of Indian States should accompany the Indian delegation to the San Francisco Conference in view of their splendid contribution to the war effort. He will ask Mr. Amery in the Commons next week whether it is proposed to do this.—Reuter.

### ALLEGED BEATING OF BHIL.

(From Our Correspondent.)

KUSHALGARH (By Mail): The Bhils have decided to give up wine and flesh eating. According to this decision when one Dola Bhil did not served wine in his son's marriage the Customs and Excise Inspector it is alleged gave a beating to Dola. The Bhil received serious injuries. He reported the matter to the State Manager and requested for action, but to no result. Now the Bhil is representing his case before the Political Agent.

# "FIX TIME-LIMIT FOR INDIA'S INDEPENDENCE"

## *We Have Claims On British Statesmanship Which Cannot Be Repudiated, Says Zafrulla*

LONDON, March 8: Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan in an article in this week's "Spectator" enlarges on the suggestion he recently put forward that the British Government should make an announcement that they would be prepared to implement any agreed settlement that might be put up on behalf of India within a period of one year from the cessation of hostilities against Japan but, that, failing such settlement within that period, His Majesty's Government would themselves place before Parliament proposals concerning the future constitution of India which would secure for India the position of equality with the dominions.

Sir Zafrulla Khan after stating that the British Government could not be acquitted of all responsibility for the Indian political deadlock says: "It has been suggested that the period of one year within which the Indian parties would be asked to come to an agreement is too short for the purpose. This overlooks the fact that the period is run from the cessation of hostilities against Japan and if an announcement of the kind, suggested by me, is made immediately that would give at least two years to the parties in India to come to a settlement. The exact length of the period, however, is not material. What is desired is that the period should be definite, and not too long. A period ending with December 31, 1947 would serve the purpose just as well."

Sir Muhammad adds: "Once India is placed in the same position as the dominions, it should have the right of amending its own constitution in accordance with procedure that might be laid down in the constitution itself. The object of this procedure should be to secure that an amendment should take place only with the consent of the various parties and interests concerned. All the necessary fact-finding has already been done and a good deal of labour spent upon framing the Government of India Act, 1935, could be drawn on in framing the new constitution.

### SAPRU COMMITTEE'S HELP

"The Sapru Committee is also sitting and its report may help clarify the latest position taken up by the political parties in India."

Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan says the new constitution must leave the door open to Indian States to come into the picture if they so desire, but should not make the coming into force of the constitution conditional upon their consent or accession.

Again safeguards for the protection of minorities with regard to religion, culture, education and language must be so framed as to be capable of judicial determination, so that any breech or contravention of them may be set right by judicial action. There would be no room in the new constitution for special responsibilities of Governors and the Governor-General.

CLAIMS OF MINORITIES

"It might be asked," Sir Mohammad adds "whether any constitution framed by Parliament to which the principal parties in India were not consenting parties would have a fair chance of smooth working. Such a constitution would fail to give complete satisfaction, as the claims of every one of the parties would have to be subjected to a good deal of pruning to make them fit into any workable constitutional pattern. As the constitution would vest the power of amendment in the legislature set up by it, that should be an inducement to the political parties to start working it, so that in due course they might be able to give it the shape that they might agree upon among themselves. Nevertheless, there would be a certain amount of risk that some parties might not be willing so co-operate in working the new constitution. That consideration must be kept in mind by those who are actually engaged in framing the constitution and it would, no doubt result in the constitution being moulded into a pattern which might enable it to function even if some parties did hold aloof."

Sir Mohammed stresses that his object is to secure a time-limit which should result in securing a working agreement between the parties in India or in default such an agreement should operate to place the responsibility of framing the constitution upon the British Government.

"India" he concludes, "has claims upon the statesmanship of Britain which can be repudiated. Issues far more momentous and vital to the future of peace and civilisation hang upon a solution of the Indian problem than is perhaps appreciated at the moment."—Reuter.

SURAT, March 8: The National War Front work should be continued under the name of 'National Welfare Front' according to Sardar Dayar Mody, District Leader of the N.W.F.—A. P.

## TETE A TETE

### WITHOUT COMMENT—

"The Nazi doctrine of the 'Herrenvolk' can, as Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan pointedly a tgested long and unhappy parallel with the Commonwealth.

—The "Times of India.

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An American Congressman just returned from a tour of the country suggests that England will turn to Socialism after the war.

But, he might have added, it would be the British brand, namely, Imperial Socialism.

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Mr. Dan Iddon, the British Correspondent in New York of the London "Daily Mail", who is very angry with Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit—also with the Americans for not being angry with Mrs. Pandit—says: "She wants freedom for India. I would settle for freedom from Mrs. Pandit."

Easy enough. Let India have freedom from the British.

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Criticising the budget in the Central Assembly, a Muslim League Member said that the Aydari mission to England would fail and the result would be that India's sterling balances would all be wiped out.

But what does it matter? In fact India must contribute her sterling balances to Britain as a small tribute to the latter for leading the war for democratic freedom and the Atlantic Charter etc. etc.

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Sir Henry Richardson, leader of the European Group, "confessed", says a report, "to a surprise at the Finance Member's suggestion that the Government is necessary "to end the present deadlock" now that Indian leadership "has manifestly failed", Mr. A. B. Pillai in a letter to The "Times" today writes: "But this action should take the form of a final settlement not liable to be upset by an ambitious party of politicians. If an agreed constitution is not forthcoming from India it must be framed once and for all by British, subject of course to rights of modification—or indeed of secession—which every dominion enjoys under the Statute of Westminster."—Reuter.

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Sir Olaf Caroe has informed the Central Assembly that India would not be represented at the San Francisco Conference because "the Conference would be at Ministerial level."

That is to say, since participants at the Conference would be represented by the spokesmen of their people India will be represented by those who are not the spokesman of her people.

By the way, Sir Olaf Caroe is, "on the Ministerial level" India's Foreign Minister

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Egypt, agreeing with the protests of Syria and Lebanon against their exclusion from the San Francisco Conference, is reported to be "very much concerned with the question."

Our own opinion is that Egypt shouldn't. And Syria and Lebanon should really be thankful for exclusion, lest the other alternative might have been for some French Olaf Caroe's or local colleagues to represent those countries.

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A Karachi report says that Haji Moula Bux will neither sign the League pledge nor resign from the Ministry.

The difficult situation thus created should, we suggest, invoke as its solution a singing rebuke from Mr. Jinnah to Haji Moula Bux, Congress and so on.

It would be irrelevant—and quite consistent.

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Haji Moula Bux, we notice, is reported to have revealed that Sir Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah had given an undertaking in writing that the former would not be compelled to sign the League pledge even if the League High Command so insisted.

True. But our considered opinion is that Security silence as regards Sir Ghulam Husain should continue to be maintained.

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Subaltern: "May I have the last dances with you?"

Footsore partner: "You've had it."

# Corporation Protests Against Requisitioning

## Why Residential Flats When There Are Princes' Palaces And Big Clubs?

A resolution strongly protesting against the action of the Government in requisitioning a number of residential flats along the Marine Drive to meet the requirements of the military in the matter of residential accommodation, was moved by Mr. S. K. Patil, leader of the Congress Municipal Party, at a special meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation on Thursday.

"Never was any restriction so repugnant to public conscience and so inimical to public interest" said Mr. Patil, in the course of a speech urging the unanimous adoption of the resolution.

MAYOR WELCOMES C. J.

Sir Leonard Stone, Chief Justice of Bombay, and Lady Stone were interested spectators of the Corporation proceedings.

Welcoming them Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor referred to the interest the Chief Justice had evinced in civic affairs. He had been president of the Judging Committee of the Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Show the previous year. His work as chairman of the Commission to inquire into the Dock explosion was well known. Lady Stone also had taken a keen interest in civic and welfare work and served on the Judging Committee of the Flower show this year.

The resolution moved by Mr. Patil stated that the action contemplated by Government would further aggravate the very great hardships caused to the civil population by the utter inadequacy of housing accommodation in the city. The increase in the population, the dock explosion and the complete stoppage of building activity had already made the situation very bad. The resolution further stated that as the Government held the complete monopoly of building materials and as they should and could provide accommodation for military personnel by construction of buildings they should not encroach upon the already scanty accommodation of the civil population.

THIN END OF THE WEDGE.

Moving the resolution Mr. Patil characterised the present orders of requisition as the thin end of the wedge and it behoved the Corporation as the custodian of the rights and previleges of two million citizens to protest in time.

While he agreed that the State had a right to impose restrictions during war time. He was of opinion that the restrictions imposed by Government in this case had not the moral support of those affected by them. He referred to Section 50 of the Defence of India Act which laid down that any such requisition should be carried out with as little interference as possible in the rights and enjoyment of property and public safety and interest and that they should be consonant with the purpose of assuring public safety and the defence of British India.

Mr. Patil pointed out that these considerations were wholly absent in the present case and the orders were entirely arbitrary in character. "You do not require residential flats in Bombay to fight the war against Japan" he said. The plea of war interest, he thought, was a mere camouflage and called the present orders as nothing more than "Zulum". "Neither the safety of the people nor the successful prosecution of the war is involved in this requisition; but merely the sweet whim of an official" he declared.

Further Mr. Patil pointed out that the population of Bombay had increased in the last few years to 25 lakhs—an increase of nearly 66 per cent. As early as 1938 with the population at about 15 lakhs the Rent Inquiry Committee had found that the city was hopelessly overcrowded. The present position was that anything like two to three lakhs of people were actually living on the footpaths. Government had a monopoly of building materials. After the Dock explosion Rs. 18 lakhs were subscribed to the Mayor's Relief Fund for the purpose of housing the dehoused and it was proposed to put up 1,000 temporary flats. The Municipality had tried to build just 300 of them but had failed to get materials.

WHY NOT TRY PRINCES AND CLUBS?

Apart from controlling materials which could be used to put up temporary accommodation, Government had other and more equitable alternatives. They could have requisitioned the huge palaces of some of the Princes, who did not spend more than a few days in the year in them. There were also some of the larger clubs like the Yacht Club, the Willingdon, the Byculla Club and the Bombay Gymkhana.

In view of all these considerations he stated emphatically that the Government must desist from its proposed course of action.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. I. S. Patel and supported by Mr. Naushir Bharucha and Mr. A. P. Sabawala.

BUILD ON TERRACES.

Mr. Bharucha pointed out that before the war, every year, 1,100 new buildings used to be erected in Bombay. The complete stoppage of this activity had brought the housing situation to its present deplorable position. He cited the authority of a competent engineer for the assertion that accommodation could be created by putting up light, temporary structures on terraces of existing buildings. If the Government would explore this obvious method they might find more accommodation than they were now getting by such unsavoury methods.

"Are you going to kill the people in order to defend them?" Mr. Sabavala asked. He thought he would go so far as to suggest disobedience in such cases.

The discussion on the resolution will be resumed on Tuesday.

MUNICIPALISING B.E.S.T.

Earlier in the day a resolution was adopted at an ordinary meeting of the Corporation setting up a committee to examine the "question of taking over by the Corporation of the combined undertaking comprising the Tramway and Electric Supply services in the city".

The resolution which was moved by Mr. S. K. Patil and seconded by Mr. P. M. Chincy authorised the committee "to examine in consultation with the Commissioner and report on the financial aspects involved in the Corporation's purchasing outright the combined undertaking and the legislation that would be necessary for the same." It also authorised the Committee to obtain from outside such expert advice as they may consider necessary.

The Committee consists of His Worship the Mayor (at present Mr. Nagindas T. Master), the Chairman, Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee (at present Mr. P. K. Sawant); Dr. Jos. Alban D'Souza; Mr. S. K. Patil; Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hasan; Mr. Naushir C. Bharucha and Mr. D. V. Pradhan.

Dr. P. Subbaroyan was present in the House for sometime and was welcomed by the Mayor.

## 'Cloth Crisis Day' In Bengal

CALCUTTA, March 8.

Bengal will observe March 10 as the 'Cloth Crisis Day'.

Urging the people to observe the day with a view to "ending the regime of bureaucratic inefficiency and curbing the anti-social elements", Dr. B. C. Roy and fourteen other leaders of different political parties in the Province, in a joint statement say that apart from the demand for increasing the quota, which is too low in the case of Bengal, the available supply is also not reaching the people. "Through various leakages in the Government system of control, cloth is passing into the black market and selling at forbidding prices. At the same time, 80 per cent of the handlooms remain idle for shortage of yarn. To increase the quota for Bengal, to supply yarn in adequate quantity to handlooms, to unhcard cloth from the black market and to destroy it once for all, to institute control on all kinds of piecegoods from an all-parties' advisory board and introduce rationing of cloth, we call upon the people of Bengal to celebrate the day in order to strengthen the movement and to make it a success."

Other signatories to the statement include:—Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy, Mr. Bhagirath Kanoria, Khan Bahadur Jasimuddin Ahmad, Mr. Iswar Das Jallan, and Dr. Nalinaksha Sanyal.—A. P.

## SURAT IN GRIP OF MATCH FAMINE

SURAT, March 8: Surat is in the Grip of a match famine. Since the last week of February it was difficult to obtain more than two boxes. Since Monday last not even a single box is available. Cigarettes are also not available and fancy prices are charged for stray packets when they are made available.—A. P.

## Six Months More For Delhi Congressman

NEW DELHI, March 7.

An official of the Delhi C.I.D. Police served a notice under the Restriction and Detention Ordinance upon Mr. Jugalkishore Khanna, former General Secretary of the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee, in the Ferozepore Jail directing him to be detained in the Jail for six months with effect from March 8.

Mr. Khanna, it may be recalled, was convicted under the Defence of India Rules last year and sentenced to undergo 18 months' rigorous imprisonment. His term was to expire on March 8.—United Press.

## K. S. GUPTA'S FUNERAL

VIZAGAPATAM, March 7: The body of Mr. K. S. Gupta, who died in the Assembly Chambers at New Delhi, was brought to Vizagapatam in a plane yesterday afternoon and taken to his residence. The funeral which took place later in the evening was largely attended.—A. P.

FIVE DESTITUTES DIE IN HOSPITALS.

CALCUTTA, March 8: There were five deaths and twelve admissions of sick destitutes in Calcutta hospitals yesterday, states a Press Note.—A. P.

RONA RYAT CONFERENCE BANNED.

HUBLI, March 7: The Rona Taluka Ryat Conference which was fixed for March 11, at Naregal has to be cancelled owing to the ban imposed on it by the District Magistrate, Dharwar.

It is understood the Chairman of the Reception Committee is shortly issuing a statement clarifying the position.—A. P.

## BADRUDDIN TYABJI CENTENARY

### Committee Set Up To Hold Celebrations On March 28

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Bombay started preparations today to celebrate the centenary of Mr. Badruddin Tyabji, one of the founders of the Indian National Congress who had the privilege of presiding over the deliberations of its third session held in 1887.

At a meeting of representative citizens called this evening by the Mayor of Bombay, Mr. Nagindas T. Master, it was decided to fix the centenary celebrations of Mr. Tyabji in the last week of March. The City's tributes to the memory of the great leader will be paid at a public meeting fixed for March 28. Representatives of different communities will be invited to speak on the life of Mr. Tyabji.

The citizens' meeting this evening appointed the following on the Birth Centenary Celebrations Committee—Mr. Nagindas T. Master (Chairman); Mr. Mangaldas Pakwasa, Mr. B. G. Kher, Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Mr. M. D. D. Gilder, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mrs. Hansa Mehta, Mrs. Kulsum Sayani, Prof. P. A. Wadia, Mr. John S. Malelu, Mr. Joachim Alva, Mr. S. K. Patil, Miss P. N. Nariman, Mr. Homi J. H. Talyarkhan, Mr. M. Harris, Mr. F. A. Pinto, Mrs. Sofia Khan, Mr. Abidali Jafferbhoy, Mr. Prelhad Mehta, Mr. A. A. A. Fyzee, Mr. Latif Jafri, Mr. Dhirendra Roopani, Mrs. Shufi Tyabji, Mr. Hani Shakur, Khan Behadur Allahbux, Mr. Aurangabadkar, Mr. Adam Adil, Mr. P. K. Sawant.

It was proposed to request the Municipal Corporation to name one of the city's Parks after Mr. Tyabji.

## Dange Addresses Huge Meeting At Glasgow

GLASGOW, March 7: Mr. Dange and Mr. Khedgikar, the well-known Indian labour leaders addressed a large gathering here on India. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Indian community.

In response to a cable from Dr. B. C. Roy of the Medical Relief Coordination Committee a collection was made at the meeting which yielded £ 100 which was immediately cabled to India.—U.P.A.

## LONDON DOCKERS TO RETURN TO WORK

LONDON, March 8: The London dock strike finally ended to-day with the decision of the stevedores to return to work. The main body of 10,000 strikers were waiting for this decision before committing themselves, to a complete end of the stayout.

The Minister of Labour Mr. Ernest Bevin known as "dockers K. C." for his championing of their rights 20 years ago, to-day told the House of Commons he had undertaken that an enquiry would be held into the alleged grievances.—Reuter.

### Woman Creates Scene At Hulten's Hanging

LONDON, March 8: In the presence of a handful of British prison officials and two American officers, Karl Gustav Hulten, 22-year-old Swedish-born U. S. Army Paratrooper, was hanged in London's Pentonville prison to-day for the "cleft chin" murder.

Outside, a wealthy woman of late middle age incited the crowd against the authorities and herself tried to storm the prison gates in a garbage truck.

Her chief outcry was that Hulten had been hanged for killing George Edward Heath, taxicab driver "the man with the cleft chin"—whereas his co-defendant, Mrs. Elizabeth Maud Jones, had been reprieved.

After being refused admission to the prison, Mrs. Elsie Van der Elst for long a clamourous opponent of capital punishment, boarded the idle garbage truck, and with the driver tried to break through the police guards at the gate.

Police used another truck to blockade the garbage vehicle, and Mrs. Van der Elst and her driver were dragged from the cab and taken away.

Her mere presence at the scene was enough to call forth general precautions of the police.

Members of the crowd joined in hooting protests against the Home Secretary, Herbert Morrison, for his decision to reprieve Mrs. Jones and let Hulten die.—A. P. A.

### Burmese Minister Fulfils Promise

SIMLA March 8: It is officially learnt that V. Tharawaddy Maung who was Minister for Health and Public Works in the Burmese Ministry at the time of evacuation who could not go to India with the rest of the Burmese Government has now rejoined the United Nations.

V. Maung had been in the Burmese Ministry since the new constitution came into force in 1937 and played a prominent part in the organisation of the war effort against Japan. When the evacuation of Burma took place he was given an opportunity to go with the Burma Government to India but was unable to accept it for family reasons.

Before taking leave of H. E. Sir Reginald Dorman Smith, Governor of Burma he announced his intention of going into hiding in some remote jungle village with complete confidence in the return of the British. He stated at the time that he would have no dealings with the Japanese or their Burmese collaborators and promised to get in touch with Allied troops on their return. A short while ago V. Maung fulfilled his promise and reported to a Civil Affairs Service officer at Monywa. He has now come to India and is proceeding to Simla to consult with the Burma Government.—A. P.

CALCUTTA, March 7: A noted American educationist, Dr. Marli Curti of the University of Wisconsin is coming to India as the first visiting Professor to the universities of India during the middle of this year. Dr. Curti is one of the distinguished scholars of America and has a number of books on the American history, culture and civilisation.—United Press.

## Why Shaukat Hyat Was Dismissed

### Premier's Statement In Punjab Assembly

LAHORE, March 8: A detailed statement on the circumstances leading to the dismissal of Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan from the Punjab Ministry was made by Malik Khizr Hyat Khan Tiwana, Premier, intervening in the debate on General Administration in the Punjab Assembly to-day.

Malik Khizr Hyat Khan explained that the serious case of injustice to which reference was made in the 'communique' on Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan's dismissal related to the dismissal by the Minister of Mrs. Durga Pershad, Lady Superintendent of the Lahore Municipal Girls Schools. He also referred to the alleged purchase of land valued at several thousands of rupees by Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan, the funds for which he alleged, had been obtained in the most improper manner.

The Premier indicated that the matter might come before a court.—A. P.

### More Charges Against Shaukat Hyat

LAHORE, March 8: Characterising it as an act that "saved the Punjab from a great scandal" Malik Khizr Hyat Khan Tiwana, the Premier, made a lengthy statement in the Punjab Assembly to-day dealing with the dismissal of Major Shaukat Hyat Khan from the Cabinet on May 2, 1944.

The Premier dealt with details of the ex-Minister's misuse of the official position in dismissing Mrs. Durga Prasad, a teacher in a Corporation school, and "purchasing land worth Rs. 80,000 in Lahore at much lower rate than the market value as Minister in charge of the Improvement Trust."

The Premier further alleged that Major Shaukat Hyat Khan got about Rs. 1,00,000 from the owners of local printing concern assuring them that he would use his official position in getting them a large share in a local bus service concern.

Malik Khizr Hyat Khan further stated that some poor owners of land had reported to the police soon after the dismissal of the ex-Minister how they had been cheated by him. The Premier did not go into details as that might prejudice the course of justice.—United Press.

## WODEHOUSE NOT RELEASED

LONDON, March 8: The Paris radio today quoted the Paris Police Prefecture as denying the report that P. G. Wodehouse, the British novelist, has been released. Wodehouse continues to be under police supervision in his hotel in Avenue Des Champs Elysees, which he never leaves, the radio said.

## Jawahar For Naini Jail

LUCKNOW, March 8.

It is reliably learned that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Acharya Kripalani and Acharya Narendra Deo, members of the Congress Working Committee, will be transferred to the United Provinces in the third week of March. Pandit Nehru, Acharya Kripalani and Acharya Narendra Deo, it is further learned, will be lodged in Naini Central Jail, Allahabad, while Pandit will be brought to Lucknow where he will be operated upon for hernia by a doctor of his choice.—A.P.

### India Holds Key For Greek Problem?

NEW YORK, March 7.—Addressing a gathering in the Forum today in New York, Miss Alikl, step-daughter of Mr. Papandreou, former Premier of Greece said:

"When India is freed—if and when—it will solve many world problems. I believe one of these problems will include the Greek problem. Greeks know England must keep an eye on Canal for the security of the Suez Canal which door is opening towards India.....Last December when the Greeks had to fight the British, it was because they refused again to have imposed upon them a king and probably a dictator. They were not fighting for complete independence—this will be realised only through India."—U.P.A.

## American Colunighst On Jawahar

NEW YORK, March 7.—Dorothy Norman, famous American columnist, writing in the "New York Post," a liberal paper in New York, today said that India's "enlightened leaders" such as Jawaharlal Nehru and Mrs Pandit do not "want independence without also wanting to be a true part of the United Nations."

She added that Puerto Rico likewise wants to join the United Nations when Independence is granted and said: "We must set our sights high if we are going to have a true United Nations. Let none confuse internationalism with imperialism."—U.P.A.

### Mahatma's Advice To Nagpur Workers

NAGPUR, March 8.

Congress leaders who went to consult Mahatma Gandhi, following the warning given by the District Magistrate returned. They were asked by Mahatma Gandhi to have faith in the constructive programme and continue working on the lines suggested therein.—A.P.

### Fr. Priest Who Did Work For Gestapo

PARIS, March 7: A French priest, Abbe Robert Aleche, caused the arrest of more than 800 French patriots under German occupation. It was revealed to-day by Judge Donisomi who presided over the enquiry into the activities of the French Gestapo in Rue Laurieston and Avenue Foch.

Aleche was the priest who heard confession amongst political prisoners and suspect in the Freshes prison. Judge Donisomi stated that he used to hurry off to the Gestapo, with information he secured from the penitents.—Reuter.

## 'NO CONFIDENCE' IN FRONTIER MINISTRY

### Decision Of Congress Members Of Assembly

PESHAWAR, March 8: Nineteen Congress M.L.A. of the Frontier Assembly met in the residence of Mr. Meherchand Khanna, Dr. Khan Saheb presidinv.

When questioned Dr. Khan Saheb said that the Congress Party has unanimously decided to move a vote of no-confidence against the Ministry and that the time to move this motion was left to the choice of the leader.—O. P.

### Has Mahatma Advised Breaking Up Of Frontier Ministry?

PESHAWAR, March 7.

Consequent upon the activities to break up the League Ministry in this province there are perceptible signs of fear in Ministerial circles who think that Congress will be able to entice away some ministerialists by promising them jobs. As the Assembly session is coming nearer greater pressure is being brought to bear on M.L.A.'s from both sides. It is definite that Congress will bring a no-confidence motion on the floor of the Assembly. Gandhiji's letter to Dr. Khan Saheb is said to contain his permission for breaking up the League Ministry and forming a Congress Ministry in its place.—Orient Press.

## DISCRIMINATION INCONSISTENT WITH DEMOCRACY

### "Immigration Bill Offers Opportunities to U. S. To Add Claim To Moral Leadership

WASHINGTON, March 7: Witnesses before the House Immigration Committee said to-day that passage of the bill permitting Indians of the eastern hemisphere to immigrate and become citizens of the United States would eliminate a longstanding source of misunderstandings and expand friendly relations between the United States and Allies who have contributed much to the war against the Axis.

Representative Emmanuel Celler (Democrat New York State), author of the bill which would allow 100 Indians to immigrate annually and give opportunities of citizenship to them as well as the 4,000 Indians already residing in this country asked: "From what Olympian heights do we say, 'No, not you Indians.' How can we exclude our friend and ally?"

He called the Indian army the largest voluntary army in history. He said Indians who would be admitted would "enrich the amalgam of many races we call Americans".

Dr. Walter Vankiek, Secretary to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, said that present "discrimination ..... is contrary to the democratic principles under which this country is founded."

Dr. Kishenlal, Vice-President of the National Committee for India's Freedom said that "this bill offers golden opportunities for Americans to remove this singular injustice and thus add one more claim to their moral leadership of the world".—A. P. of America.

## Hydari Fails In His Mission?

LONDON, March 8.

Has Sir Akbar Hyderi's supply mission failed to get what it has been trying to for over two months now?

Some doubt was raised as the result of the statement issued here to-day which says that "The Mission's departure for India has been delayed" as "There are still some points on which it has not been found possible to reach an agreement with His Majesty's Government". It is stated, however that "The Hydari Mission has practically concluded its discussions with His Majesty's Government"

Informed circles wonder if some hitch has arisen in connection with the credit balances.—United Press.

## CASE AGAINST SATYAVATI DEVI WITHDRAWN

NEW DELHI, March 8.

The case against Shrimati Satyavati Devi, a local Congress Socialist leader, has been withdrawn and all restrictions removed.

She came to Delhi in defiance of the local Government's order banning her entry into Delhi Province on February 15 and was arrested at the Delhi Shahdara Railway Station. She is lying ill in the T. B. Hospital.—A. P.

## PYARELAL IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 8: Mr. Pyarelal, private secretary to Mahatma Gandhi, arrived here to-day by the Grand Trunk Express.

His visit is believed to be purely private and is expected to return to Wardha in a week's time.—A. P.

SAPRU MEETS RAJAJI.

NEW DELHI, March 8.

On his way to Madras, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru broke journey at Delhi for a few hours to-day. He met Mr. C. Rajagopalacharlar who is here.—A. P.

### Tamil Nad Workers Meet Mahatma

SEWAGRAM March 8: The Tamil Nad Congress Deputation met Gandhiji this afternoon. During the interview lasting more than 45 minutes questions were answered by Mahatma Gandhi on various problems relating to Labour, Kisans, plight of hand-loom weavers and other items of constructive programme. The deputation will again see Mahatma Gandhi, to-morrow.—A. P.

## Bombay's Colossal Total Of 764 In Ranji Trophy

### Vijay Merchant Hits Up 278 And Rusi Cooper 104

By J. C. MAITRA

Bombay amassed the colossal total of 764 at the expense of Holkar in the Cricket Championship of India at the Brabourne Stadium on Thursday. It fell short of the record established by Maharashtra against Northern India by 34 runs. Vijay Merchant had the distinction of contributing the highest figure of the season, namely 278. Rusi Cooper registered the third century of the innings on his own account. Mushtaq Ali, however, carried away the honour of knocking up a century in each innings. Despite the bleak outlook before them, Mushtaq and Denis Compton batted courageously to raise the Holkar total from 12 for 2 to 177 without separation.

MOST PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIP.

Vijay Merchant in association with Rusi Cooper raised the total to 589 when C. K. Nayudu broke up the most productive partnership of the match. It had yielded as many as 246 runs—exactly 20 runs more than Vijay had produced with the help of Rusi Modi for the third wicket. As it was in the previous instance, it was left to the Holkar skipper to come to his side's rescue when all the other bowlers had failed. Cooper was exceedingly surprised when his balls were neatly knocked off by an elusive delivery from C. K.

COOPER'S FIRST CENTURY.

Cooper had batted in an attractive fashion for 208 minutes to collect 104 runs which included 9 hits to the boundary. This is his first century in the National tournament. And it may be hoped that he will follow it up with many more in the years to come.

FLOGGING THE DEAD HORSE!

Vijay had the mortification of seeing the next wicket fall quickly. Phadkar being out with only 7 to his account. But the aggregate had risen to 618 by now. Still the Bombay skipper did not think of applying closure. His brother, Uday, joined him next in the pleasant task of whatmay-be-called "flogging the dead horse."

VIJAY'S MAGNIFICENT INNINGS.

At 681, Vijay succumbed at last to C. S. after staying at the wickets for over 8 hours. With dogged tenacity and resourcefulness he defied all kinds of attacks and hit up 30 fours in his score of 278. It was indeed a magnificent innings of which any batsman may be proud. Incidentally Vijay showed that he has still the guts and the stamina to pile up huge scores off his own bat.

UDAY'S FINE CONTRIBUTION.

After Vijay left there was very little life left in the play. But Uday continued to thrash the bowling mercilessly and gathered 73 runs in 93 minutes. He had 8 boundary hits to his credit. He was hauled up for putting his foot in front of the wicket. Or he might have completed the century which he narrowly missed also in the first innings. However Uday has now definitely proved his worth in first class cricket. With increasing improvement in fielding, he is sure to become an asset to the Bombay team.

BOWLING HONOURS FOR C. S.

The local captain, I think more with a view to avoid criticism of his detractors than any fear of his opponents till the last man was out. The innings of 764 took 670 minutes. The bowling honour of the innings was carried away by C. S. Nayudu who was responsible for dismissing half the side. But what a record-breaking effort it was to bowl 38 overs! Sarwate also bowled stout-heartedly for 73 overs. But he did not have the luck of his mate. It is noteworthy that old C. K. bowled as many as 38 overs and his efforts were rewarded with a bag of 3 valuable wickets.

STOUT-HEARTED EFFORTS.

Holkar began their second innings sensationally losing two wickets with only 12 runs on the board! And they were good wickets too—Sarwate and Bhandarkar to boot. It seemed that a collapse was imminent. And nobody would have been surprised at it as the visitors were dead tired with fielding for two days. But Mushtaq Ali and Denis Compton joined together in a determined fashion to master the local bowling and compiled 165 runs between them without losing their wickets. Mushtaq had the distinction of scoring his second faultless century in the match and it will not be at all surprising if he knocks up a double century too. But he can do so only if he keeps his natural impetuosity under restraint all the time. Compton played an excellent game too to compile 88 on his own account. Will they survive this morning and help their side to make a real battle of the contest?

Lunch saw Bombay's seventh century going up the board. When seven more were added to the total Khot attempted a hit at C. K. Nayudu, but missed and was stumped by Nimbalkar who kept the wickets instead of Bhandarkar (707-7-8).

Palwankar who stepped in next was soon dismissed by C. S. who got him caught by Gaekwad (716-8-4).

Raiji came next and thereafter Uday reached his 50 in a game of 78 minutes. But Uday also left soon being l.b.w. to C. S. (761-9-73).

Tarapore who brought up the rear was out l.b.w. to Sarwate. Bombay's second innings thus concluding with 764 made in 670 minutes. Raiji remained not out with 18 to his credit.

HOLKAR'S SECOND INNINGS

Faced with a margin of 866 Sarwate and Bhandarkar came out of the pavilion to open the second innings of their side. Phadkar opened the attack. Mody who came from the pavilion side was twice shown boundary by Sarwate. In the same over however Mody got Sarwate caught by Vijay Merchant at silly-mid-off (10-1-8).

Mushtaq Ali joined Bhandarkar who was soon caught by Cooper at point only when two were added to the total (12-2-4). With two wickets gone for only 12 and a big total ahead the visitor's doom was now assured.

With Denis Compton joining Mushtaq some bright cricket was witnessed. After 30 Tarapore and Khot replaced Phadkar and Modi. 50 went up in as many minutes. With 65 for two the game closed for tea.

After tea Mushtaq survived an easy stumping chance off Tarapore's bowling. Mantri failing to bring off the ball in time. Soon after this he reached his 50. 100 of the innings appeared on the board in 80 minutes of the game. With two more the first innings deficit was wiped off.

Bowling changes were continuously effected by Merchant, Tarapore, Phadkar and Raiji coming in quick succession. With ten more coming in the partnership reached its 100 mark. Runs flowed in rapidly, between being unimpressed by any change in the bowling Compton then reached his 50 in 112 minutes. Seven minutes before close Mushtaq reached his 90. A four and a single off Tarapore brought him to 98. Then stealing two singles in Khot's over he reached his 100 in a game of 130 minutes. He had so far hit 12 fours and to this he added one more off Tarapore before the stumps were drawn, the score then being 177. Compton was not out with 55 to his credit.

BOMBAY 1st Innings ... 462
HOLKAR 1st Innings ... 362

BOMBAY 2nd Innings

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| K. C. Ibrahim, l.b.w., b Sarwate | | 26 |
| M. K. Mantri, c Denis Compton, b C. S. Nayudu | | 29 |
| R. S. Modi, l.b.w., b C. K. Nayudu | | 151 |
| V. M. Merchant, c Jagdale, b C. S. Nayudu | | 278 |
| R. S. Cooper, b C. K. Nayudu | | 104 |
| D. G. Phadkar, c Mushtaq, b C. S. Nayudu | | 7 |
| Uday Merchant, l.b.w., C. S. Nayudu | | 73 |
| J. B. Khot, st., b C. K. Nayudu | | 4 |
| Y. B. Palwankar, c Gaekwad, b C. S. Nayudu | | 4 |
| M. N. Raiji not out | | 18 |
| K. K. Tarapore, l.b.w., b Sarwate | | 6 |
| Extras | | 24 |
| Total | | 764 |

FALL OF WICKETS.—1/80; 2/117; 3/343; 4/589; 5/618; 6/681; 7/709; 8/716; 9/761; 10/764.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nimbalkar | 10 | 2 | 23 | 0 |
| Rawal | 10 | 0 | 38 | 0 |
| Gaekwad | 12 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| Jagdale | 13 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| C. S. Nayudu | 38 | 15 | 275 | 3 |
| Sarwate | 73 | 13 | 205 | 3 |
| Compton | 9 | 1 | 28 | 0 |
| C. K. Nayudu | 38 | 8 | 104 | 3 |
| Mushtaq Ali | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

HOLKAR 2nd Innings

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| C. T. Sarwate, c Merchant, b Mody | | 8 |
| K. V. Bhandarkar, c Cooper, b Phadkar | | 4 |
| Mushtaq Ali batting | | 106 |
| Denis Compton batting | | 55 |
| Extras | | 4 |
| Total (for 2 wickets) | | 177 |

BOWLING ANALYSIS

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Phadkar | 9 | 1 | 31 | 1 |
| Modi | 4 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| Khot | 14 | 0 | 65 | 0 |
| Tarapore | 16 | 1 | 45 | 0 |
| Raiji | 4 | 0 | 19 | 0 |

FALL OF WICKETS.—1/10; 2/17

## RS. 18,000 PURSE TO C. K. NAYUDU

Lt. Col. C. K. Nayudu the veteran Indian cricketer was the recipient of a purse of Rs. 18,000 at an evening party held in his honour by the Cricket Club of India at Governor's Pavilion, Brabourne Stadium, on Thursday evening. A large number of the cricket fans of the city were present on the occasion Sir Homi, President of the Club, presided.

Presenting the purse Sir Homi paid a tribute to the all-round genius of Nayudu. It was generally conceded that he was the greatest cricketer of the country, who by his fearlessness of the game had made himself the idol of the crowd, particularly of the younger section of the sporting public. He wished Col. Nayudu a long and happy life and hoped that after his retirement from active cricket he would continue to give the benefit of his wide and varied experience to the rising generations.

Sir Homi revealed that out of Rs. 18,000 presented to Col. Nayudu the Cricket Club of India had contributed more than Rs. 10,000.

Dr. P. Subberoyan speaking next characterised Nayudu as the greatest all-round cricketer India had produced.

Col. Nayudu in a fitting reply thanked all present for the honour done to him Referring to the difficulty of the bowlers on the stadium pitch he suggested that the Ranji Trophy Tournament should be played on a league basis.

Col. Nayudu further recalling the palmy days of his cricket paid tributes to some of his old colleagues including Col. Keki Mistri, Dr. M. E. Pavri and Sir C. V. Mehta.

NEWHAVEN (CONNECTICUT), Mar 7: Mr Hugh Byas, former "New York Times" and "London Times" correspondent in Tokyo and author of several books on Japan, died here on Tuesday aged 70.—Reuter.

## THURSDAY'S GAME

Backed by a huge margin of 646 with seven wickets still in tact Vijay Merchant and Rusi Cooper the overnight not-outs with 204 and 77 respectively to their credit came out of the pavilion to resume their fourth-wicket partnership which had already realised 201 on the fourth day of the match. Cooper completed his century in a game of 203 minutes. However when only four more were added he returned to the pavilion clean-bowled by C. K. Nayudu who replaced C. S. (589—4—104). Cooper had nine fours to his credit and his partnership with Merchant had yielded 246. Merchant at this stage was 220.

Phadkar joined Merchant. Sixth century of the innings went up in 556 minutes of the game with a single by Merchant off Sarwate. But Phadkar did not survive long. He was soon caught by Mushtaq at mid-off off C. S. Nayudu (618—5—7).

Uday Merchant now associated himself into partnership with his brother. A little before lunch the memorable inning of Vijay came to an end and he returned to the pavilion caught by Jagdale off C. S. Nayudu. Coming at the fall of the second wicket on Tuesday evening Merchant had stuck into the wickets for 485 minutes. (681—6—278).

Khot then joined Uday, and a short while after the game closed for lunch with a total of 683 for six.

Fifteen minutes of the game after

# "NEXT OFFENSIVE WILL END WAR"

## *World Now Witnessing Final Crumbling Of German Military Might*

LONDON, March 7.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill's "one big heave should do it" exhortation to the Allied Armies in the West and the Russians in the East was described to me by authoritative circles tonight as fully justified by the extremity in which the German General Staff now finds itself, says Reuter's political correspondent.

While Mr. Churchill's words taken at their face value may mean no more than that the next great co-ordinated offensive of Allied Armies in the West and East may be the last, reports now being received from Germany show the Nazis to be woefully lacking in effective reserves.

Mr. Churchill during his week-end dash to the German front took cognisance of salient new factors in the enemy's position.

One is that the German High Command has now lost its last alternative of being able to switch troops from East to West and vice-versa even if transport conditions permitted such operations. "Crucial" is the description applied to the Nazi position on both fronts.

FINAL CRUMBLING OF GERMAN MILITARY MIGHT

Key factors which justify the belief that the world is now witnessing the final crumbling of the German military might include, firstly, the reported deterioration in the quality of German soldiery opposing the Allies in the West—with Nazi paratroops as an exception.

Secondly, German surrenders on a bigger scale than hitherto. Allied captures of the past three weeks when announced will be found to reach an impressive total.

Thirdly, German abandonment of material such as tanks without attempting to destroy it. One reason is believed to be shortage of petrol, another Nazi haste to put a respectable distance between themselves and the avenging Allied Armies.

While optimism on the immediate future is tempered by a note of caution on the unpredictable, the legendary views on the impassability of Germany's great Rhine barrier are being modified.

"OFFICIAL END" OF WAR

One thought stated to be engaging the attention of the "Big Three" is that there will be an "official end" to the war.

Clearly guerilla fighting may go on for some time after the main collapse of the German military machine and the final remnants of Nazidom may have to be winkled out from the more remote fastnesses of the Reich. But at some stage the Allies, on seeing their way clear to assume effective control of Germany will declare that organised resistance is at an end, leaving for "mopping up" such elements of opposition as remain. These are not expected to present a problem for long.—Reuter.

# MURDER MYSTERY STORY AT EROS

## Fine Musical At Metro

By T. V. P.

"One Body Too Many" is an exciting murder mystery, full of thrills, excitement, suspense and comedy. Comedian Jack Haley, and Jean Parker head the cast which includes Bela Lugosi and several others in important roles.

The death of a millionaire and his strange will makes several of his heirs to visit his haunted house. But as the will was not to be read before he is properly buried and because of strange provisions made in the will all of them were partly disappointed. Later the appearance of an insurance salesman and the disappearance of the dead body leads to strange episodes and two more people are murdered. The insurance salesman who forcibly undertakes to protect a young girl in the house who was in the good books of the dead man and who was presumed to inherit a large portion of the money brings in many hilarious situations and finally finds the clue to the murderer.

Throughout the film suspense is well maintained and the performance of Jack Haley gives rise to many laughs. Bela Lugosi is outstanding in an eerie role of a butler. A good exciting hit. Do see it.

"TWO GIRLS AND A SAILOR"

"Two Girls And A Sailor" at Metro is one of the best musicals in this season. Half-a-dozen stars bring it to exciting screen life under the direction of Richard Thorpe and the just as production by Joseph Pasternak.

Here are Van Johnson, June Allyson, and Gloria de Haven, fast on their way to stardom, as the girls and the sailor whom he mysteriously befriends by setting up an entire servicemen's canteen for them, and what is more, falling in love first with one and then with the other.

Special mention must be made of the beautiful dream sequence in which Van Johnson is seen as the admiral and Jimmy Durante in various guises befitting his versatility and rare talents.

"WILSON" AT REGAL

For the first time on the screen, the White House has been brought alive as the scene of a great romance, a setting for a love story as powerful as its principals were illustrious. The film is Darryl F. Zanuck's technicolour production, "Wilson", acclaimed as the crowning triumph of 50 years of screen entertainment, and continuing its third week at Regal Theatre.

In the film directed by Henry King, and for which the screen play was written by Lamar Trotti, Alexander Knox appears as Wilson, Geraldine Fitzgerald as Edith Bolling Galt, Ruth Nelson as Ellen Wilson, and Mary Anderson, Ruth Ford and Madeleine Forbes as Eleanor, Margaret and Jessie Wilson, respectively.

"FANNY BY GASLIGHT" AT EXCELSIOR

"Fanny By Gaslight", starring Phyllis Calvert, James Mason, Stewart Granger and Wilfrid Lawson, was adapted from the best seller by Michael Sadleir, and dips below the bustle and reveals the lurid life behind the discreet cough of a Victorian parent. It is the story of Fanny Hopwood, illegitimate daughter of a cabinet minister, Clive Seymour, grows up at the Happy Warrior, a wine saloon-cum-nighthouse of the seventies run by her foster father and mother.

Her foster father is killed in a brawl with the dissolute Lord Manderstroke, and when her mother dies, Fanny is sent to Seymore's home in Belgravia to become a servant. From her real father she finally learns the fact of her birth and a strong, though secret affection developes between them. Seymore's secretary, Harry Somerford, becomes interested in her. Seymore's wife, Alicia, ignorant of her identity, uses the girl as her personal maid.

Manderstroke is Alicia's lover. When Alicia discover that Fanny is her husband's illegitimate daughter, she threatens him with a public scandal unless he grants her a divorce with a comfortable settlement. The rest of this brilliant drama must be seen to be enjoyed.

Universal's technicolour fantasy "Alibabu And The Forty Thieves" starring Maria Montez, Jon Hall and Turhan Bey will be shown at Aurora this week.

Bringing to the screen the story of America's greatest legendary figure, "Buffalo Bill", 20th Century-Fox's spectacular production, has come to Palace this week, with Joel McCrea, Maureen O'Hara and Linda Darnell in the stellar roles.

New Empire continues to show "Woman In The Window" for another week.

## Further Purge In Italian Army Contemplated

ROME, March 8: The Italian Cabinet at an emergency meeting this morning discussed Government's revised internal policy under which more drastic purging will be applied to Carabinieri police army and State employees as a result of General Roatta's escape, reliable sources reported.

The Cabinet adjourned its meeting at 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. yesterday without issuing a communique.—United Press of America.

MOVE TO FREE ANOTHER PRISONER.

Reuter's special correspondent in Rome writes: Shots were fired at midnight by some unknown persons at two Carabinieri guarding the entrance to Bosanome nursing home in Rome.

Francesco Jacomoni, former Viceroy of Albania, is detained in the nursing home during his trial, and the shooting has given rise to the theory that the incident was an attempt to release this second important figure among the defendants in the big political trial which includes General Roatta, who is still at large after his escape from hospital on Sunday.—Reuter.

# Crusade Against Tax Evaders

## Raisman Complains Govt. Gets No Support From Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 8.

The Assembly to-day agreed to refer to a Select Committee the Finance Member's Bill further to amend the Income-Tax and E. P. T. Act.

The main purpose is to provide for the differentiation of earned and unearned incomes and to tighten up provisions against evasion.

In the Central Assembly to-day, Sir Jeremy Raisman, the Finance Member, moved reference to Select Committee of his Bill further to amend the Indian Income-Tax Act 1922, and the Excess Profits Tax Act 1940. The Select Committee was asked to report by March 19. The Finance Member explained that the Bill had two objects. It was designed to give relief to the tax-payer and to close loopholes in the Act and strengthen the hands of the departments. The relief proposals included an exemption in respect of earned income, special initial depreciation allowances in respect of new buildings, plant and machinery and allowance of expenditure (both capital and revenue) on scientific research.

About the scheme for differentiation between earned and unearned incomes, he said that the Taxation Enquiry Committee held it premature to apply it at that time, as the amount of unearned income liable to tax was relatively small. The Income-Tax Enquiry Committee of 1936 came to the same conclusion but, said the Finance Member, it was not the case now, that the amount of taxable unearned income was relatively small. There was therefore no good reason for postponing any longer the introduction into the Indian system of the principle of differentiation.

The scale of relief proposed included a deduction of one-tenth of earned income, subject to a maximum deduction of Rs. 2,000.

PLAN OF RELIEF

To clear up misunderstanding as to how the relief would be given, he explained it as follows:—

On an earned income of Rs. 10,000 the relief would be Rs. 1,000 and tax would be payable on Rs. 9,000 at the rate applicable to that figure. On an earned income of Rs. 30,000 the deduction would be the maximum namely Rs. 2,000 and tax would be payable on Rs. 28,000. But as the concession did not apply to super-tax, super-tax would be payable on Rs. 5,000 i.e., the excess over Rs. 25,000.

The next relief proposed was a special initial depreciation allowance in respect of new buildings erected and new plant and machinery installed after March 31, 1945. The figure the Finance Member had in mind in regard to these allowances was 20 per cent for plant and machinery and 10 per cent for buildings. The written down value would not be affected by these deductions. They would not be allowed for excess profits tax, as this would involve discrimination in favour of those who were fortunate enough to obtain new plant and machinery earlier than their rivals. In the year in which these special allowances were given, the usual rates of depreciation would also be allowed. The Finance Member made it clear that the grant of these allowances would only hasten the writing off of the assets, but would not increase the overall allowance of 100 per cent. Even so, the allowances should provide encouragement for the early re-equipment of industry.

BATTLE AGAINST EVASION

The Finance Member referred to other reliefs and said the powers given to the Income-Tax Officer to visit premises, make enquiries, call for accounts and stamp them were necessary, and he hoped that the House would agree to give those powers which he said were more than ever necessary now when evasion was more widespread than ever. In some of the Provinces, no difficulty had been experienced in conferring similar or even more extensive powers on minor officials administering taxes such as sales taxes. Nor did there appear to have been any outcry about harassment in those provinces.

Mr. Sami Venkatachalam Chetty (Congress) described the Finance Member's proposals as parting kicks, mixed with some parting kisses as well.

Sir Jeremy Raisman: Love consists of both. (laughter).

Mr. Venkatachalam Chetty remarked that the kisses were not of the ardent type, but were just the kind of thing which came up as evidence for a proper divorce action (more laughter) but the kicks were effective and violent. The provision to enable an Income-Tax Officer to enter the premises of any person and to seize accounts was rejected six years ago. Why was the provision brought up again, he asked. He felt that any such provision which put the Government above the individual should be resisted. Such a provision was not found in England. In introducing it in India, was it suggested that the people here did not care to maintain the sanctity of the home inviolate as the Englishman did.

Mr. Chetty opposed the provision giving power to reopen assessment as revealing Government's suspicion of their own officers.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari wished the concessions proposed were more generous. If the intention was to encourage industrialists to replace their plant and erect new buildings, then the gift did not go far enough. If the concession was not accompanied by a concession with regard to E. P. T., it was not enough. It appeared to him as though the honest tax-payer was called upon to pay for the dishonest evader and asked whether Government were aware of large-scale evasions of income-tax by people who operated accounts from Indian States.

Dr. G. V. Deshmukh demanded the deletion of clause eight of the Bill, which he said, gave unlimited power to Income-Tax Officers to enter any premises, not only business premises, and harass ignorant women and children. He objected to the provision that only expenditure on scientific research related to the class of business carried on by the assessee should be admissible for deduction for income-tax purposes. All research, he suggested, was inter-related and research along one direction reacted on research in another direction. The proposed limitation should therefore be removed.

Mr. Hussainbhai Lalji protested against the Finance Member's attempt to take away the liberties of the people by introducing a clause which would enable an Income-Tax Officer to enter the house of anybody. He challenged the Officers of the Government to enter the premises of a European firm or the residence of a European businessman. He pointed out that in 1928 riots in Bombay which resulted in the death of 4,000 people occurred because of improper entry into premises.

Mr. T. S. Avanashilingam Chettiar contended that "earned income" should refer only to income earned by a person himself, and should not connote income earned for the past services of any deceased person. This, Mr. Chettiar said, would not be earned income.

Mr. Chettiar pointed out that rise in prices did not commence with March 31, 1945, and suggested that for purposes of giving relief in respect of plant and machinery March 31, 1944 might be fixed. He wanted a guarantee that this provision would not be repealed for some years to come, and urged that Government themselves should not be the authorities to approve of expenditure on research, since that would make things depend upon the whims of individual Finance Members.

Sir Cowasji said that there was a good deal of evasion in paying income-tax, super-tax and E. P. T. on the part of some persons who operated accounts in British India as well as in the Indian States. There were cases where such an assessee borrowed in British India against security in his current account in an Indian State and escaped income-tax. Government could stop this evasion if it wanted to, he added.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai welcomed the distinction made between earned and unearned income, but said that the extent of relief afforded was small and hoped the Select Committee would fix a reasonable amount for exemption.

In regard to the relief to be granted to the industry which Mr. Bhulabhai said, had been ground down partly by greed and partly by the requirements of war, the question had assumed a great form. It remained a concrete obligation of the Government to rehabilitate industries, because these had to meet the extraordinary demands on account of war. He did not think that the proposal made formed part of a transitory act but would become a part of the Income-Tax Act. Till now by reason of the numerous controls, very little machinery had come into the country, and few factories had been constructed. But, he asked, by what standard had the twenty per cent been fixed, and he was not sure that the percentage would work.

In regard to the extension of the powers of the Income Tax Officials to reopen an assessment, Mr. Bhulabhai said that power must be exercised under definite conditions and not "or any reason". In this connection, he recalled how when the Income Tax Act was last amended in 1938, after considerable discussion, the then Finance Member Sir James Grigg agreed to the provision that an assessment could be reopened only if the official had definite information in his possession and had discovered evasion in the absence of definite information the provision would become an instrument of harassment. He failed to understand the judgment of the Patna and Bombay High Court referred to by the Finance Member could be the reason for the amendment of Section 34. Nothing in his view had happened during the seven intervening years to justify this amendment.

The Finance Member replying to the debate commented on the position in which Government was left, namely, that it got no assistance from the House, no matter in what form it brought forward a request that the administration should be strengthened against evasion. He would be glad if members who criticised the bill and alluded at the same time to large-scale evasion would make some concrete suggestion, suggest some alternative provisions, and if the procedure allowed it, recast the bill, so as to include in it some other more effective method of dealing with evasion. If members assured him that they would give their support to something of that kind, he would be glad to submit to their judgment.

The Finance Member said that he did not remember to have received an overwhelming measure of support or assistance from the House on occasions when amendments of Income-Tax Law which would impinge upon Indian states were brought forward.

It had been admitted that a familiar device of tax evaders was to maintain more than one set of books of accounts. He could not think of any simple or direct manner of dealing with that except by giving power to the Income-Tax Officer to enter business premises and stamp the account books, so that when at the end of the year, that assessee came to produce his accounts, the officer could make sure that the same set of accounts was being produced, was that, the Finance Member asked, an utterly negligible or useless provision to make in the law?

The Finance Member stoutly defended the proposal to delete the provision that reopening of assessment under Section 34 of the Act could be done only if the Income-tax Officer had in his possession definite information about evasion. The Department, he said, had discovered that it was in fact a great deal worse off by the introduction of the phrase "on definite information" and that the present position resulting from the introduction of that phrase was not conducive to good administration.

The House agreed to the motion to refer the bill to a Select Committee.

Earlier, the Labour Member introduced a bill further to amend the Mines Maternity Benefit Act, and the Agriculture Secretary introduced a bill to provide for the creation of a fund to be expended by a committee constituted for the improvement and development of oilseeds.

The House adjourned till to-morrow.—A. P.

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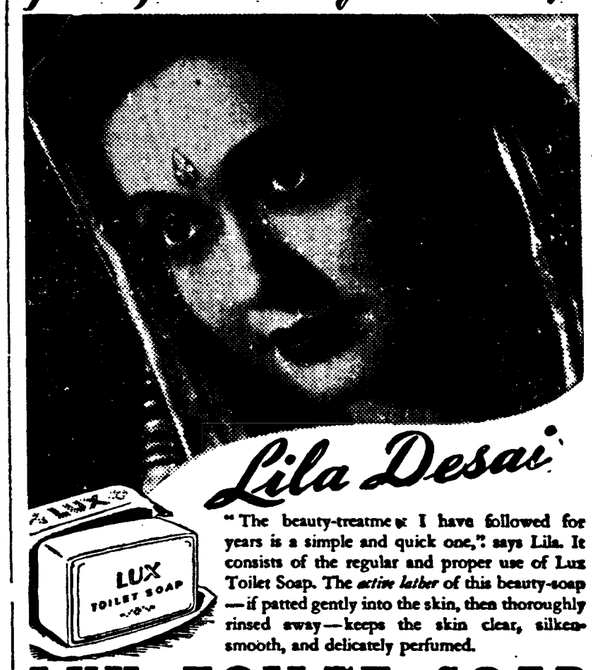
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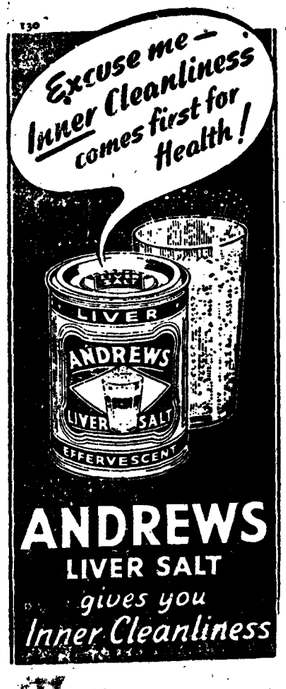

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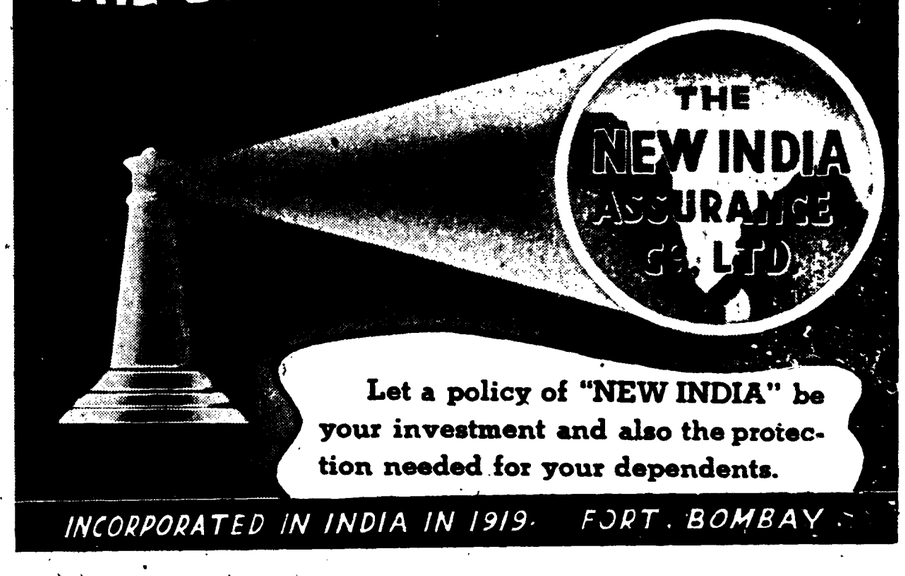

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# Further Drop In Share Prices

## DISAPPOINTMENT OVER COTTON APPEAL RESULTS

### Unloading In Bullion Market

BOMBAY, March 8.

**The Bombay Stock Exchange again ruled quiet and prices assumed sagging tendency influenced by exceeding favourable war news. Selling was of a general nature but the decline was not of any important magnitude as a result of day's trading. Tata Steel Dfds. declined Rs. 20/- Ordinary Rs. 4/- Bombay Dyeing Rs. 10/- and Kohinoors Rs. 4/-.**

**The unusually large number of appeals against results of March cotton surveys favoured bears and there was increased selling pressure. It is said that Bulls will refer the matter to the Super Appeal Committee but the standard type being of comparatively lower character, it is doubtful any goodwill follow. Thus the market is passing through uncertain period with fears of withdrawal of investors. There was heavy selling pressure and May cotton dropped down to Rs. 447/-. At this level scattered covering steadied prices. Bullion market was also easy on increased long liquidation with little demand.**

The local Share Bazar was quiet to-day with scattered selling. It is said that buyers are hesitant and despite further increase in note issue they were not inclined to shake of their hesitancy. It is argued that proposed death duty or agricultural income-tax or even Sales Tax may do more harm to the general economic condition of the country. Resumption of imports of consumers' goods is also feared to compete with Indian industries. These ideas are now gaining strength and the Share Bazar is becoming dull. Tata Steel Dfds. opened to-day at Rs. 2,150 and after declining to Rs. 2,137 steadied at Rs. 2,141. Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 392. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1,862 and Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 622.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, March 8.

MILLS

Apollo 4/0/0 4/5/6 4/5
B. Dyeing 1860 66/4 58/12 65 57/8 62/8 58/12 63/12 56/4
Central India (Ord) 386 84/8 86 84/8 85/8 84 85 83
Century 917/8 30
Colaba 220 19 20
Edward Textile 770 55
Elphinstone (Ord) 86
Elphinstone (Pref) 125
Finlay 311 11/8 9/8 10
Gokak 299 300 299
India United Defd 3/2 3/2/6 3/2 3/2/3
India United (Ordy) 15 15/1 14/15/6 15/0/6 14/15/6 15/1
Indore 693/12 92/8 95 91/4 92/8
Knatau 340/10
Kohinoor 625 26 21 23 21 22 21 23 21
Mayer 216/4
Model 264/12
Morarjee 661/8 90 85
New Great 397 99 96
Sassoon Silk 81/12
Sassoon Cotton 22/4
Simplex 269/8 65 66/8
Swadeshi 944 40 44 40 41 38
Swan 332 33 30 32 31 33 32
Tata Mills 62/12
Vishnu Cotton 470
Ahmedabad Prantej Ely 737/8

BANKS:

Baroda 143
Central 82/4 82/8
Imperial (Old) 1996/4
Impedial (New) 496/4 95 96/14
India 194
National Savings (F.P.) 76/8
National Savings (P.P.) 38 37/12
Reserve Bank 133/8
Union 9/6

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 232/8 35 33/12 35
Ajmer 14/15
Andhra Valley 1791/4 90
Tram Ord 148/8
Tram Pref 69/12
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I. I. Trust 124
Port Canning 105
P. Construction 219/8 18 18/8
Shivrajpur 56
Tata Chemical (Ord) 20/15 20/8
Tata Oil 70
Western India Match 330
Surat (Pref) Electric 191/14

### Favourable War News Tell On Bullion Market

Last evening after official close of the local bullion market there was heavy liquidation in silver and prices were pushed down. Today the market opened very quiet but short covering appeared and quotation tended to rally but the improvement again attracted sellers which checked the rise and the market ruled quiet with a moderate turnover.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 300 bars silver at Rs. 128/14 and 18,000 tolas gold at Rs. 74/2.

The local silver market opened today at Rs. 128/12 for forward contracts and advanced to Rs. 129/8 on active short covering but again ruled quiet at Rs. 129/4 and ready silver was quoted at Rs. 129/6. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 74 and advanced to Rs. 74 4 under moderate support but declined to Rs. 73/12 on renewed liquidation Later steadied at Rs. 74 and ready gold was quoted at Rs 74/3. It is said that yesterday's heavy liquidation was mainly due to favourable war news and some unfounded talks of ban on exports.

There was heavy unloading in the bullion market and Silver downturned to Rs 127/10. Later on there was short covering and closing quotations were as under:—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Silver Ready | 128 | 12 | 0 |
| Silver Settlement | 128 | 8 | 0 |
| Gold Ready | 73 | 14 | 0 |
| Gold Settlement | 73 | 11 | 0 |
| Sovereigns | 50 | 8 | 0 |

(From Our Correspondent.)

BHUJ, March 8.

To day Hundi Koria 3.0, Gold Rs. 72/6, Silver Rs. 110/12.

### Bombay Cotton

The local market is now awaiting the result of unusually a large number of appeals against survey results. This is the first time in the history of the cotton market where practically each survey is appealed as a result of great disappointment. In some quarters it is said that this year the standard type is made up of inferior and appeals as well as super appeals will not be able to do much. The change in the basic standard is undesirable but selfish motives do not favour uniform growth of Indian cotton. In the local market May delivery opened at Rs. 457 and declined to Rs. 456 under scattered selling. At this level there was some support and May steadied at Rs. 456/8 while March was quoted at Rs. 461

Later on the market ruled quiet on increased selling on reports that out of 198 appeals 163 were declared pass and 25 were rejected. May delivery to Rs. 452/8 and steadied at Rs. 453/4 and March was quoted at Rs 447/4

There was heavy selling by bears and May quotation collapsed to Rs. 447 and steadied. The market is at the utter mercy of bears and closing quotations at 6 p.m were as under:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| ICC March | 439 | 0 | 0 |
| ICC May | 446 | 8 | 0 |
| ICC July | 468 | 0 | 0 |

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 455 cent points below N. Y. May at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, March 7.

| | High | Low | Close |
|---|---|---|---|
| ICC March | 454 | 452 | 452 |
| ICC May | 459/12 | 457 | 457/4 |
| ICC July | 470 | 467/8 | 467/8 |
| Karachi May | 47/11/9 | 47/6/6 | 47/7/9 |

### Bombay Produce

The local market was dull with a restricted turnover. Groundnuts and Castorseeds remain neglected while Linseed find occasional buyers. Groundnuts Khandesh quality were quoted at Rs. 15 and Nizam quality stood at Rs. Rs. 14/5 Goa March/April quotation was Rs. 14/4 and April/May was Rs. 14/8. Linseed N. S. Railway was done at Rs. 15/5/6 and G I P Stations stood at Rs. 15/6/6. C P and U P Linseed was quoted at Rs. 15/8.

CALICUT MARKET QUOTATIONS.

CALICUT, March 8.

Cocoanuts Raw 60, Dry 80, Cocoanut Oil 340 Copra Office 192/8, Dilpasand 200, Madrasnottam 220, Goodsgoods 225, Pepper Wynaad 360, Country 350, Dry Ginger Chernad 250, Ernad 235, Coffee Robusta 83.

HAPUR QUOTATIONS.

HAPUR, March 8.

Wheat 10 Dara Control 9/12, Arrivals 100 Mds, Stock 315, Khattis Gram 8/2, Stock 22, Barley 6/12, Stock 141, Peas Khattis 5/5, Stock 128 Arhar 7, Stock 122 Bajhar 5/8, Stock 21 Maize 6 Bajra 7/8, Juar 7/5, Urd 13/14, Moong 10/14 Cottonseed Desi 9/12, Chelri 9/2 Silver 128/8, Gold 73/10. Easy on heavy speculative sales Bardana 55/9. Guwar Baisakh 6/14/7-1/2.

INCREASE OF OVER RS. 11 CRORES

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India for the week ended March 2nd shows a further increase of Rs. 11,72,98,000 in the total note issue.

MONEY MARKET.

BOMBAY, July 7.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/8 7/32 1 and 2 months, 90 days/st 1/8 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B C RATES: T T 1/8 15/16 D D 1/8 15/16

Banks selling T T 1/8 31/32 D D 1/8 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/8 1/32 D D 1/8 3/32

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs 302 1/2 D D Rs 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Very quiet

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c, Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call one and two months 1/4 p c 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c, 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c, 12 months 1 1/4 p c.

### Long Liquidation In N. Y. Cotton Market

UNCERTAINTY OVER C.C.C. PURCHASING PROGRAMME

NEW YORK, March 7.

On Wednesday the New York cotton market was quiet on increased long liquidation in new crop months. The future of prices is made uncertain on account of various moves While on the other hand area under cotton cultivation is likely to be reduced owing to shortage of farm labour.

Prices sagged on liquidation notably in new crops together with emphasis on uncertainties of the extension of the Commodity Credit Corporation purchasing programme and the agitation for the two price post-war system and exceeding favourable War news.

The market opened as above the highest level of the day with July unchanged 21.90 and declined to 21.85 which was the lowest. Thus both high and low levels of the day were reached during the first hour and the market closed at a net gain of 2 points for war month while distants lost 8 points. Spot cotton price declined 2 points at 22.52c per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 7.

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 22.23-03 |
| May | 21.47—02 |
| July | 21.88—04 |
| October | 21.21—09 |
| December | 21.19—05 |
| January | 21.13—05 |
| July highest (10 a m) | 21.90 |
| July lowest (10 20 a m) | 21.85—05 |
| Middling Spot | 22.52—02 |

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 22.08 |
| May | 22.12 |
| July | 21.8/ |
| Middling Spot | 21.65 |

NOON CALL

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 22.25 |
| May | 22.17 |
| July | 21.89 |

LONDON BULLION.

New York, March 7.

Spot 25-1/2 Forward 25-1/2. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/8/0.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, March 7.

T. T. London on:—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2, Madrid Official 44.00, Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, March 7.

Wheat Rosario Santa Fe (new Crop) 41/7-1/2 March quoted. Wheat Australian (Bulk) unoffered. Wheat Australian (Bags) unoffered.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, March 7.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 pc £32-1/2, Consols 2-1/2 pc £83 Conversion Loan 3-1/2 pc 1961 £105 5/8 War Loan 3-1/2 pc £104-15/16, Funding Loan 4 pc 1960/90 £115-1/4, Victory Loans 4 pc £116-3/4, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £10-7/8 Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £86-1/2, National Bank of India £43.

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ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES

BOMBAY, March 7.

Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 10,20,99,000; Notes in circulation 1,063,51,99,000; Total Notes issued Rs. 1073,71,98,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 93.00 per cent.

ASSETS

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—

(a) held in India Rs. 44,41,43,000.

Sterling Securities Rs. 931,30,55,000.

Total of A Rs. 1003,71,98,000

B. Rupee Coin Rs. 10,13,00,000; Government of India Rupee Securities Rs. 60,13,13,000.

Total Assets Rs. 1073,71,98,000.

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES

Capital paid up Rs. 5,00,00,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 5,00,00,000.

Deposits:—

(a) Government

(1) Central Government of India Rs. 245,00,22,000; (2) Government of Burma Rs. 65,50,000; (3) Other Government Accounts Rs. 15,91,45,000; (b) Banks Rs. 91,20,50,000; (c) Others Rs. 19,74,49,000; Bills Payable Rs. 5,10,80,000; Other Liabilities Rs. 16,32,13,000.

Rupees 405,59,71,000.

ASSETS

Notes Rs. 10,20,99,000; Rupee Coin Rs. 20,56,000; Subsidiary Coin Rs. 1,60,000; (c) Government Treasury Bills Rs. 3,02,53,000; Balances held abroad* Rs. 300,00,04,000; Investments Rs. 21,04,05,000; Other Assets Rs. 4,40,00,000.

Rupees 405,59,71,000.

*Includes Cash and Short Term Securities.

STATEMENT OF IMPERIAL BANK

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 2nd March.

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL:—Rs. 0,62,50,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 5,00,00,000; Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 234,92,50,000; Sundries Rs. 00,00,000.

Rupees 245,35,03,000.

ASSETS

INVESTMENTS:—

Government Securities Rs. 128,15,32,000; Other Authorised Investments Rs. 4,12,39,000.

ADVANCES:—

Loans Rs. 22,37,78,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 44,87,35,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 4,31,87,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,66,50,000; Sundries Rs. 1,00,06,000.

CASH:—

In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 36,81,07,000; Balances with other Banks Rs. 2,04,74,000.

Rupees 245,35,03,000.

WORLD RUBBER OUTLOOK

New York City, March 6 (AP)—Doctor Pietr Honig director of the Netherlands Indies rubber research institute just returned from the South Pacific, announced that, dol 15,000,000 in rubber equipment—one-fourth of total requirements—had been bought in the United States.

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### NOTICE

My client MANZUR-UL-HAQ, I.A., hereby notifies that his wife MRS. P. HAQ (nee PROTIMA DAS GUPTA) has left his protection and that he has no responsibility or liability in respect of any of her debits or pecuniary liabilities.

N. S. TYAGARAJA SASTRI, B.A., B.L.,
Vakil,
Vizagapatam.

Vizagapatam,
Dated Feb. 1945.
(2386)

### THE BOMBAY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD., BOMBAY.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy No. 29564 on the life of Mr. Shankarlal Gahelsha Shah a duplicate policy will be issued and the claim will be settled unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

K. BALASUBRAHMANYAM,
Manager & Actuary.
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### NOTICE

LOST SHARE CERTIFICATES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Certificates of the various companies mentioned below standing in the name of Shah Bhikhalal Kalianji since deceased have been BURNT or DESTROYED by fire due to explosion in Bombay on the 14th April, 1944. Any claim in respect of these share certificates should be notified to the companies concerned with one month from the date hereof, otherwise duplicate share certificates will be issued irrespective of any claim in respect thereof.

1. Three hundred shares of Burma Corporation Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   100 Shares Nos. 6039512-6069661
   100 Shares Nos. 6969354-6999753
   100 Shares Nos. 3290476-3290575.
2. Ten Shares of the Bradbury Mills Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   5 Shares Nos. 503, 504, 505 and 553, 2554.
   5 Shares Nos. 2049, 2050, 2051 2052, 2053.
3. One Share of Phoenix Mills Ltd. bearing No. 4324.
4. Five Shares of The Gujrat Railway Co. Ltd. bearing Nos. 34017-34021.
5. Fifty Shares of Scindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   298364-298333, 273222-273231, 117851-117864, 163256-163265, 296101-296108, 461943.
6. One Hundred shares of the Mukund Iron Steel Co. Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   Five Share Nos.:—65721-65725, 67646-67650.
   Forty share Nos.:—67651-67660 72381-72390, 65701-65710, 65711 65720.
   Fifty shares Nos. 77081-77130.
7. Five Ordinary Shares of The Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   5 shares Nos. 81493-81502.
8. Five Hundred shares of the Burma Petroleum Co. Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   100 Shares Nos. 1764300-1764399.
   100 Shares Nos. 2703401-2703500.
   100 Shares Nos. 3077501-3077600.
   100 Shares Nos. 2709041-2709140.
   100 Shares Nos. 630634-630733.
9. Ten shares of the Bombay Tramways Co. Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
   5 Shares Nos. 228509-228513.
   5 Shares Nos. 564824-564828.
10. Fifty Shares of the Chitavalsah Jute Mills Ltd. bearing the following numbers:—
    50 shares Nos. 78951-79000.
11. One Hundred shares of the Nasakarpare Jute Mills Ltd. bearing Nos. 114868-114937.
12. Five shares of Easti Sugar Mills Ltd. bearing Nos. 1051-1055.
13. Fifty Shares of the Rajagiri Rubber Produce Co. Ltd. bearing Nos. 47535-47584.

Bombay dated the 8th day of March, 1945.

AMIN DESAI & NANAVATI,
Attorneys for Bhogilal Bhikhalal administrator to the estate of Shah Bhikhalal Kalianji.
2421.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD (DIVISION III)

DISPOSAL DIRECTORATE
TENDER NO. D-1|9 (13)

1. The Chief Director of Purchase, Department of Food (Division III) New Delhi invites tenders for the sale of groundnuts without shells packed in new 'B' Twill bags lined with cloth available as under:—

| Place | Approximate Quantity Tons. |
|---|---|
| Latur, (Hyderabad State) | 1094 |
| Parlivaijnath (Hyderabad State) | 200 |
| Bombay | 207 |

2. Price of tender forms is Rupees five per set only and is not refundable, and forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order to the Chief Director of Purchase, quoting the above Tender Number and remitters full address on the coupon.
3. Tenders can be had from the Department of Food upto and inclusive of 3-4-45 and tenders will be received upto 4 p. m. on 7-4-45.
(2422)

### THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of The Central Bank of India, Limited, will be held at the Central Bank Buildings, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of March, 1945, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts for the period ending 31st December 1944.
2. To declare a Dividend and a Bonus.
3. To elect three Directors in place of Mr. Nurmahomed M. Chinoy, Mr. Bapuji D. Lam and Mr. H. F. Commissariat who retire by rotation under Article 94 of the Articles of Association read with Regulation 78 of Table "A" of the Indian Companies Act and who are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
H. C. CAPTAIN,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 5th March, 1945.

N.B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 9th March 1945 to WEDNESDAY, 28th March, 1945 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
H. C. CAPTAIN,
Managing Director.

N.B.—Dividend Warrants for the half-year ending 31st December, 1944 will be posted to the Shareholders at their Registered addresses on and after the 29th day of March, 1945. Intimation of any change in address should be given to the Bank immediately.
(2411)

### BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

IN PURSUANCE of a requisition received under Section 36(d) of the Municipal Act, to consider the situation arising out of the contemplated formation of Greater Bombay by Government so as to extend the jurisdiction of the Bombay City Police, Judiciary, etc., to some of the areas at present included in the Bombay Suburban District and its repurcussions on the Municipal Administration of the City, a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION will be held in the Municipal Office on MONDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1945 at 2-30 p.m. (B. T.)

By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary,

Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 8th March, 1945.
2420

### SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N. W. F. P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British subjects and subjects of notified Punjab States—Muslims only—(Punjabis and Zamindars preferred) on or before the 3rd April, 1945, on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by treasury or M. O. receipt for Rs. 5/- for a temporary (likely to be made permanent) post of ASSISTANT ENGINEER (JUNIOR SCALE) in the Punjab Service of Engineers (Electricity Branch). Age not more than 35 years, on 3-4-45. Qualifications: A degree, diploma or a certificate mentioned in Appendix A to the Punjab Service of Engineers (Electricity Branch) (Recruitment) Rules, 1939 or corporate membership of either the Institution of Electrical or Mechanical Engineers, London or a pass in parts A and B of the Associate Membership Examination of Institution of Engineers (India) or pass in the Graduateship Examination of Institution of Electrical Engineers, (London). Persons trained in an Electrical firm of repute and possessing experience in the operation, maintenance and construction of High Tension and Low Tension distribution lines and substation lines and substations preferred. Pay Rs. 150-25-200-15-275|15-380 P. M. Government servants and women not eligible. Further particulars on application.
(2409)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS from Registered Medical Graduates and Licentiates of not more than three years' standing domiciled in this Province are invited not later than 15th March, 1945, for the following post:

House Physician, Psychiatry Department, J. J. Hospital, with additional duties in T. B. Wards.

Please apply to the Principal, Grant Medical College, for particulars regarding terms and conditions.
(2410)

### G. I. P. RAILWAY.

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay, invites tenders upto 12 hours on 22-3-1945 for constructing waiting room and lavatory on down platform at Dehu Road. The form of tender, schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. Plans for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3|- being made. These sums will not be refunded.
(2414)

### THE SVADESHI MILLS CO., LTD. NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 31st March to Thursday, the 19th April 1945, both days inclusive.

THE FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Company will be held at the registered office of the Company, Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, on Monday the 9th April 1945 at 4-30 p. m. (S. T.) when the usual resolutions regarding the adoption of the Directors' Report and the audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1944, the declaration of dividends, the election of Directors and the appointment of auditors will be submitted.

The dividends, if sanctioned, will be payable from Friday the 27th April, 1945.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
Tata Sons, Ltd., Managing Agents,
S. D. SAKLATVALA,
Director.
Bombay, 6th March, 1945.
(2416)

### THE CENTRAL INDIA SPINNING, WEAVING & MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD. NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday the 23rd March to Saturday, the 7th April, 1945, both days inclusive.

AD-INTERIM DIVIDENDS for the half year ended 31st December 1944 at Rs. 12-8-0 per Preference Share and at Rs. 6|- per Ordinary Share, both free of Income-tax, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company, "Bombay House", Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after Monday 23rd April 1945 between 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. (S. T.) on Saturdays and between 10-30 a. m. to 1 p. m. and 2 p. m. to 3 p. m. (S. T.) on other week days, to the Shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on 23rd March 1945.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be posted to the registered address of the Shareholders on Saturday the 21st April 1945.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
TATA SONS, LIMITED,
Managing Agents.
S. D. SAKLATVALA,
Director.
Bombay, 8th March 1945.
(2418)

### THE SVADESHI MILLS CO., LTD. NOTICE.

THE DIRECTORS of the Company have decided to recommend to the Annual General Meeting the payment of the following dividends to the shareholders for the year ended 31st December 1944:—

Rs. 5 per share on Preference shares
" 16 per share on Ordinary shares and a bonus of Rs. 6 per Ordinary share making a total of Rs. 22 per share.

For and on behalf of
The Svadeshi Mills Co., Ltd.,
TATA SONS, LTD.,
Managing Agents,
S. D. SAKLATVALA,
Director.
Bombay, 8th March, 1945.
(2417)

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY,

Office of the Controller of Supplies, BOMBAY.
TENDER NOTICE.

The Controller of Supplies, Bombay, invites Tender No. BSY|FLIP|1944 to reach him on or before 19-3-45 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from his office at Rs. 10 (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash, or by money order or Indian postal order (quoting Tender Number, full name and address of the remitter) for:—

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(2415)

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N.B.—Furniture which is already given on hire is not for sale.

Also on MONDAY, the 12th inst., at 4-30 p.m. (N.S.T.), at Dhobi Gali Haji Ismail Haji Habib Bundervala Building No. 4:—1 big lot Burma Teak and 1 big lot furniture on view.

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(M.A.)

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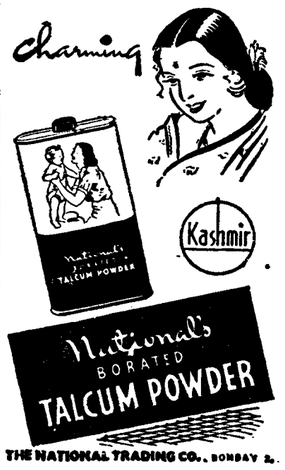

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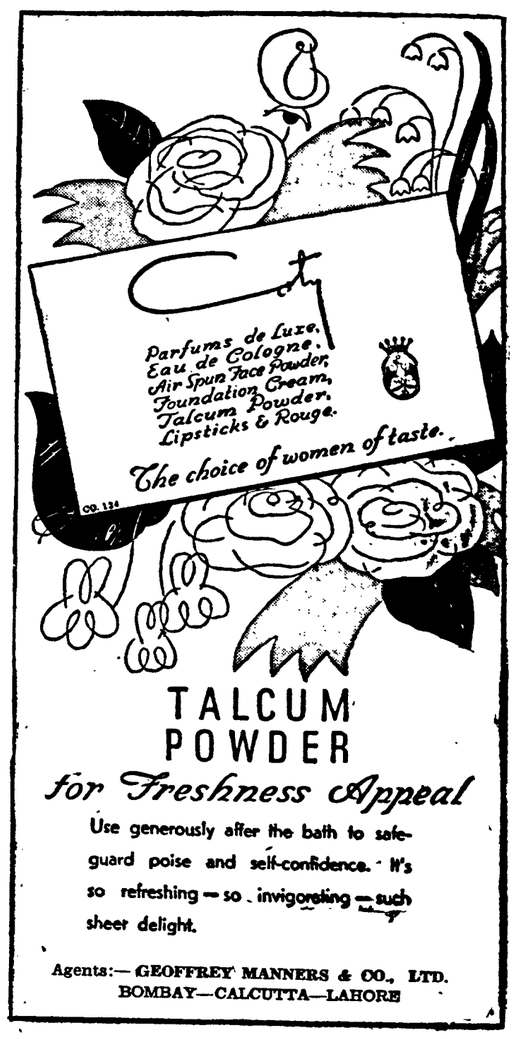
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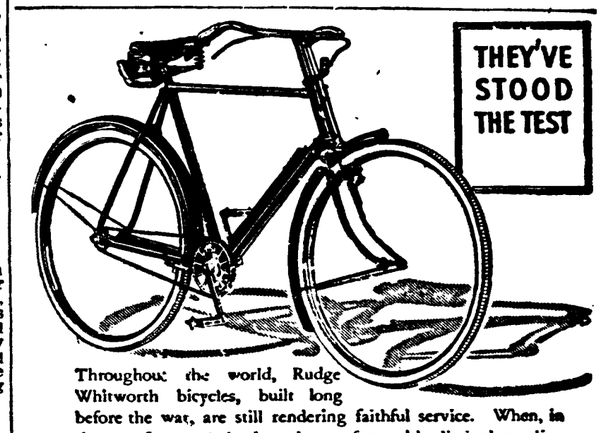
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